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Power Hour no longer?

By ABBY NADEAU
EDITOR IN CHIEF

The common birthday tradition of going to the bar the minute a person turns 21 may be delayed a few hours if some representatives in the state government have their way.

A bill that will soon see the floor of the Senate would mean waiting until 8 a.m. of a person's 21st birthday before they could legally drink alcohol.

Morrie Lanning (R-Moorhead) authored the bill after a similar one was recently introduced in the North Dakota legislature. Lanning, who is also vice president for Student Affairs at Concordia College Moorhead, told the *Star Tribune* last week he decided to author the bill after two recent cases of binge drinking in the Fargo-Moorhead area. In each instance, the students suffered alcohol poisoning. In one case, a student died.

"I've been concerned for a long time about binge drinking, and the Power Hour is the worst example of binge drinking," Lanning told the *Star Tribune*.

The traditional Power Hour occurs at 12 a.m. when a person turns 21 and lasts until the bar closes. In some cities bars have the option of staying open until 2 a.m., effectively extending the Power Hour.

"This bill is not going to end binge drinking or celebrations on 21st birthdays," Lanning said. "But if it takes away one little temptation to overdo things, it could keep just one person from going through what we experienced."

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Mayor holds open forum at UMD

By KIEREN SELL
STAFF REPORTER

Duluth Mayor Herb Bergson spoke with UMD students Monday in a casual, open forum entitled "Lunch with the Mayor."

The possible student-housing district was a main focus of the forum and the mayor spoke positively about the initiative.

"We've got three developers looking at projects downtown: two in the heart of downtown and one by the armory," said Bergson. "We want to see projects downtown. We want you to spend your money here instead of going home on weekends."

The downtown housing district would not only include housing, but retail shops as well.

"It makes a lot of sense to have students downtown if they want to be down there and spending their money," said Bergson. "I would also like to have the student housing in conjunction with the skywalk."

While both students and city officials feel the housing district will be a positive addition to Duluth, there are community members who don't share that sentiment, especially regarding the parking situation the new

student district would create.

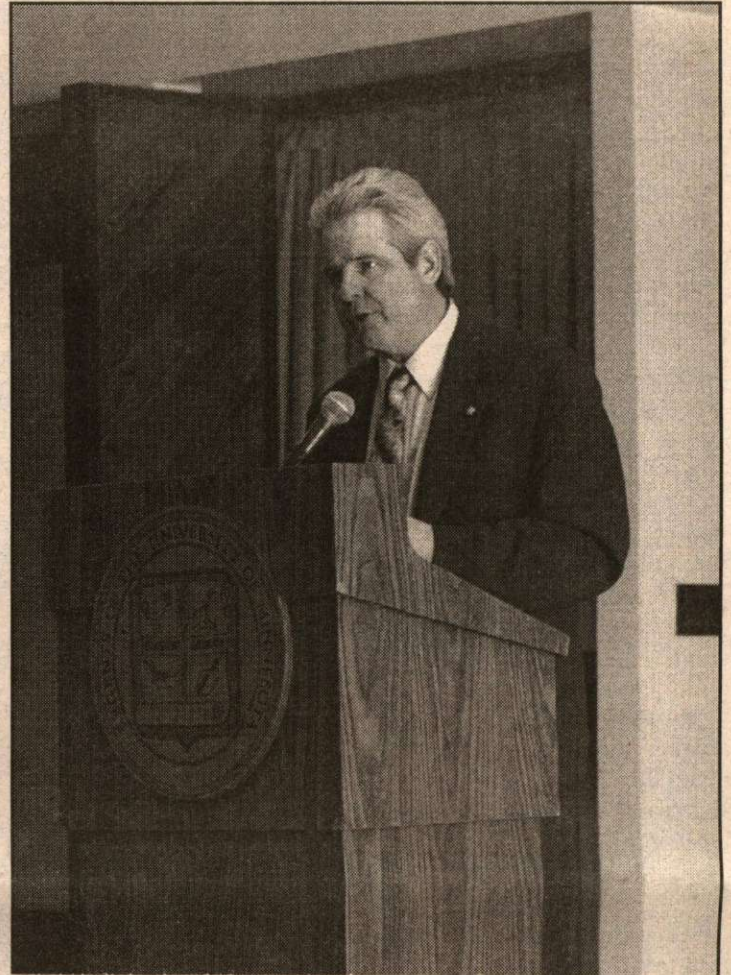
"We're working on putting in two parking ramps with the project that would help with the problem," said Bergson. "Some people like the idea of the project, but don't want it 'in my backyard.' It's funny because the same people who made objections to students being in their neighborhoods in rentals are objecting to putting the students together."

For students interested in housing issues, the UMD Student Association will be holding a joint meeting with the Duluth City Council this evening at 5:30 p.m. in Griggs Center.

Another topic that the mayor discussed with students was jobs, or the lack thereof, in the Duluth area. Bergson talked about the opportunities for new jobs in the area from bigger companies, like Cirrus, Northstar Aerospace and TrueRide, and working hard to maintain jobs in smaller companies.

"Smaller companies keep the economy going. They're a safety net, especially when big companies lay people off," said Bergson.

The city is also sponsoring a job fair the first Saturday in April for those who may want a job working for the city. One of



KRISTI LEMAIR/UMD STATESMAN

Mayor Herb Bergson spent Monday afternoon at UMD talking to students about a possible student housing district downtown. He also discussed job opportunities that will be available at the city's job fair in early April.

Bergson's stated goals in his term is to end homelessness in Duluth. He has put together a committee of 30 people and the city has signed up for the "Program to End Homelessness in 10 years."

"There are a lot of positive things that are involved in ending homelessness beyond doing the right thing," said Bergson. "The economy

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New student assembly to form at UMD

By JAIME BERGLUND
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Following the University of Minnesota Twin Cities campus' lead, UMD graduate students are working to establish a student government to help represent them at UMD.

The Graduate and Professional Student Assembly (GAPSA) was formed at the UMD campus in 1990 and has since worked on many administrative and other issues, including improving campus dining.

"GAPSA is a student government of graduate and

professional students," said Karen Buhr, executive vice president of GAPSA. "It has many different councils from the different schools that come together to make an executive committee."

According to GAPSA's Web site, it is a nonprofit 501 C3 organization and is a confederation of independent colleges that represents all graduate and professional students at the University of Minnesota to the Board of Regents, the President of the University, the University Senate, the University at large

and the community.

Along with administrative issues, GAPSA also plans a variety of social events in order for students from other departments to get to know each other, including family nights at UMTC.

According to an article in the *Minnesota Daily* on Feb. 21, eight medical and pharmacy students from UMD agreed to start the process of getting a graduate student government on the UMD campus to help represent the 2,200 graduate students who attend.

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CORRECTIONS

• In last week's edition of the *Statesman*, an incorrect photo appeared in the Student Life section. The correct photo of Jessie Rae Johnson appears to the right.

• The Sports section incorrectly reported Evan Schwabe was scoreless in the game against the Wisconsin Badgers game. He scored two goals in the game.

The *Statesman* regrets the errors.



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New religious groups on campus

Students get involved in Jewish and Muslim organizations

By KIEREN SELL
STAFF REPORTER

Religion is often a taboo topic, especially around college campuses, but many groups challenge this taboo by inviting students to gather and explore their spirituality together.

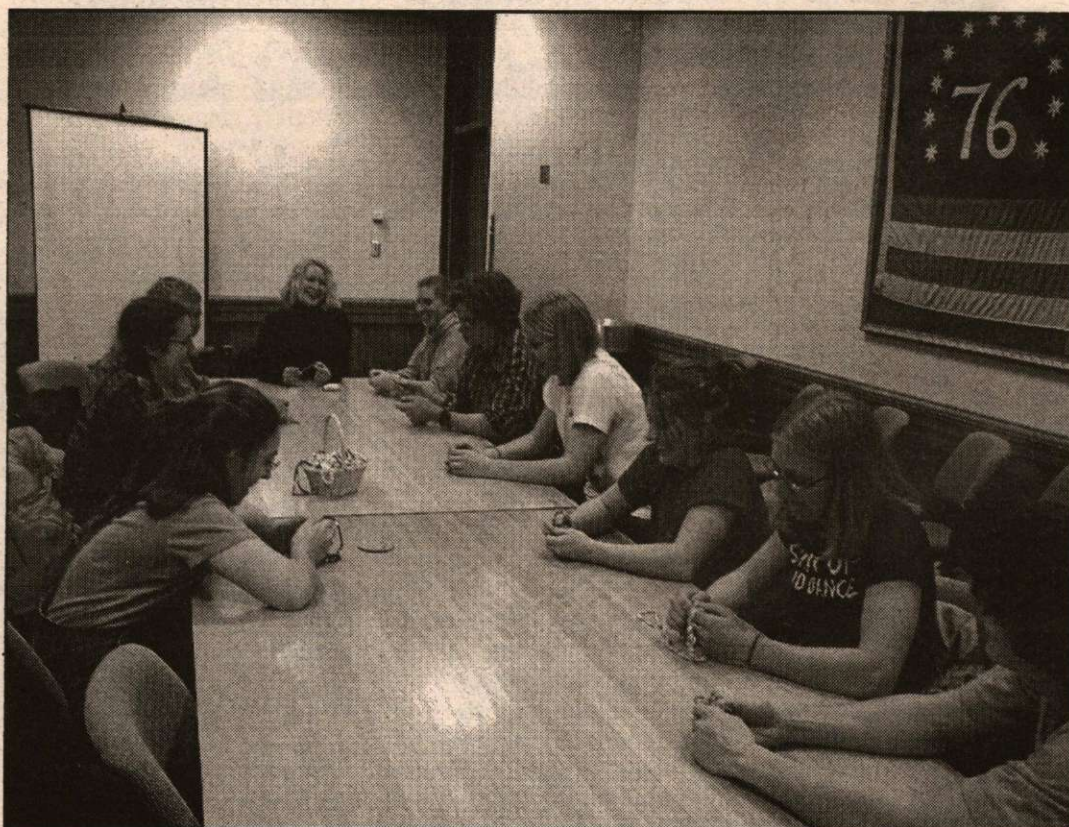
Two new religious organizations have started on the UMD campus in the past few months, the Muslim Student Association and the Jewish Student Organization, providing more diversity to the already established organizations on campus. There are more religious groups on campus this year than any other, a sign that students are getting involved and sharing their religious beliefs with others.

While there are many other religious groups on campus, here is a look into five organizations, including the two newest, that are open and active in the religious community. All of the religious organizations with contact information on the Kirby Web site were contacted to participate, but some did not respond.

Muslim Student Association

This group is only two weeks old but already has big plans for the future. Ahmad Dib, chairperson, said that their group's main goal is to get a room for Muslim students to pray and hang out in.

"We pray five times a day and have congregational prayers on Fridays," said Dib. "Right now, we've got a room



LANCE FISCHER/UMD STATESMAN

Members of the Newman Catholic Campus Ministry gathered recently for their weekly prayer meeting on campus.

on the third floor of Kirby, but it's small, and we have room 311 in Kirby for Fridays."

The group's long-term goal is to have a bigger room to pray in, especially because culturally, women and men don't feel comfortable praying together.

According to Dib, there are between 60-100 Muslim students at UMD, but some students do not always come to the daily prayers.

The community of Duluth has done a lot to increase awareness of the Muslim religion and culture by forming the Islamic Community of the Twin Ports, but there was nothing specifically for UMD students. Dib and the other board members of the M.S.A. wanted to create something separate for the UMD community.

Education and acceptance are two of the other goals that the M.S.A. has for their organization. They hope to have a question and answer session for students, staff and the community on topics such as what it is like to be a Muslim in the United States.

"We want

people to be open-minded about us. We aren't the stereotypes people have of Muslims," said Dib. "We're not here to force our views on anyone. We want to educate people so they can get a better understanding."

Jewish Student Organization

The mission of the Jewish Student Organization is to give an opportunity for Jewish students to meet each other, to learn about their heritage, to educate the community and students and to branch out beyond UMD.

Though this group is new to campus, it is already alive and working hard for its goals. With 15 active members and many more interested in the group, the Jewish Student Organization held a kickoff event last week and a discussion Monday night about the Kabbalah - a form of Jewish mysticism practiced by Madonna and Britney Spears - and its impact on society.

"Discussions are something we want to do every month," said David Premack, founding member and president of the organization.

The group began when Premack and others found that there wasn't an opportunity for Jewish students to meet each other and study. Once they had enough people and a Rabbi interested, they became an official organization.

"We've applied for a SA grant and would like to partner up with other organizations for resources and funding," said Premack.

The biggest challenge for the Jewish Student Organization is finding other members.

"There's 100 Jewish students at UMD," said Premack. "That's about 1 percent of the UMD population. I know there's a lot out there."

The Jewish Student Organization hopes to keep their events fun, especially because some students steer away from religion when they get to college. They hope to have bigger celebrations of events, like Hanukkah, next year.

Chi Alpha for Christ

The words Chi Alpha come from the Bible and mean Christ Ambassadors, which is what the UMD organization tries to be in the community.

"We're kind of like a youth group for college students," said Jay Sykes, the campus pastor. "We've got 200-250 people involved at various levels."

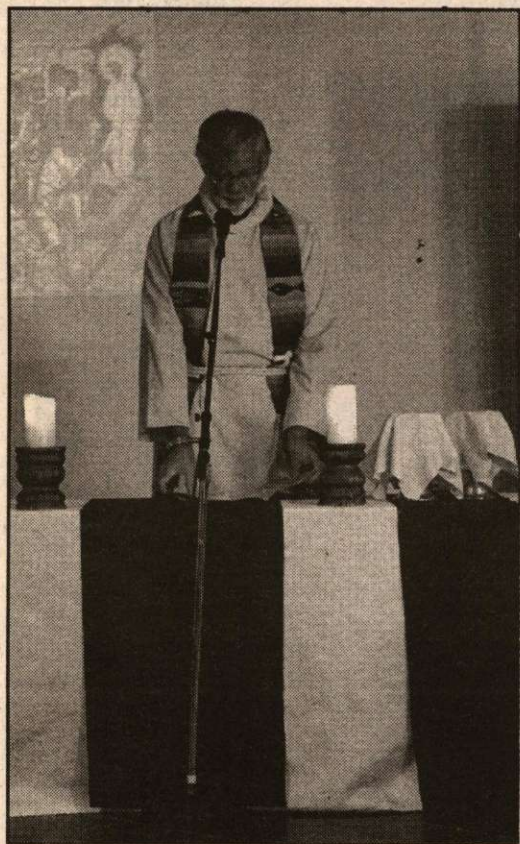
The Chi Alpha group does a variety of events to grow in different areas. They invite everyone to come together, build friendships and have fun in a healthy, substance-free environment.

"Our two main goals are to connect with God through worship, Bible studies and speakers, and to connect with people by building a community," said Sykes.

The Christian group meets every Tuesday in Chemistry 200, but also have special events, like their Easter Experience last Tuesday in the Kirby Ballroom.

The group also does mission trips and has three happening over Spring Break. This year they are going to Norway, Nicaragua and Chicago, to

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TONY MARQUARDT/PHOTO EDITOR

Pastor Doug Paulson gives a sermon at the weekly meeting of students for Lutheran Campus Ministry.

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Physics prof helps break scientific ground

By KELLEY BLOMBERG
STAFF REPORTER

In addition to the Physics classes he's been teaching, UMD Assistant Professor Alec Habig has been busy working with over 200 scientists on a worldwide experiment known as MINOS.

MINOS, which stands for Main Injector Neutrino Oscillation Search, is a controlled experiment that in time may be viewed as a landmark event in the history of physics.

"With MINOS, we're studying neutrinos, one of the fundamental particles," said Habig. "They're one of the basic building blocks of the universe, but they're the one we know the least about because they don't have a charge. It's simply fundamental research on how the universe works."

Habig came to UMD in 2000 specifically to fill a position working on the MINOS experiment. Prior to UMD, Habig was at Boston University, working full-time on an experiment called Super-Kamiokande, which he began in 1996 and is still involved with.

Super-Kamiokande deals with the research of neutrinos

and served as a stepping-stone toward the work he is now embarking upon with MINOS. Habig has been working to plan and build MINOS since he first arrived at UMD and is enthusiastic about finally seeing the results of his work.

"It'll be fun to start getting answers rather than just making sure everything works," said Habig.

Although Habig has been at UMD and working on MINOS for five years, the extent to which approximately 200 other scientists have been working on MINOS far exceeds Habig's time on the experiment.

After years of hard work, MINOS has finally reached completion and Habig, along with many other scientists, is eagerly awaiting the ongoing results of the experiment.

Following MINOS' construction, the experiment began about two weeks ago on March 4, with a beam that was built to send neutrinos from the Department of Energy's Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory near Chicago to a detector located 450 miles

away, a half-mile underground in the historic Soudan Iron Mine in Soudan, Minnesota.

Located about 2.5 miles north of Duluth, the Soudan iron mine may be remembered by some as a popular spot for school field trips.

However, today Habig and

to best catch the neutrino particles.

"It's got to be that big because neutrinos are so slippery," said Habig of the device. "Fermi Labs will be sending trillions of neutrinos per shot at us with one shot every two seconds. We'll only see one neutrino every few hours out of all that."

"We're basically trying to see what's going on in a game of pool but we're playing with an abyssal cue ball," Habig said, describing what the scientists working on MINOS are trying to observe. Habig has been working with several undergraduate and master's students at UMD, who have all

contributed to the construction and preparation of MINOS.

"I helped with some of the grunt work of installing the MINOS far detector and gradually became familiar with the way the experiment worked," said Brian Bock, a fifth-year Electrical and Computer Engineering student at UMD. "I got to put a lot of my engineering knowledge to use. The whole experience has

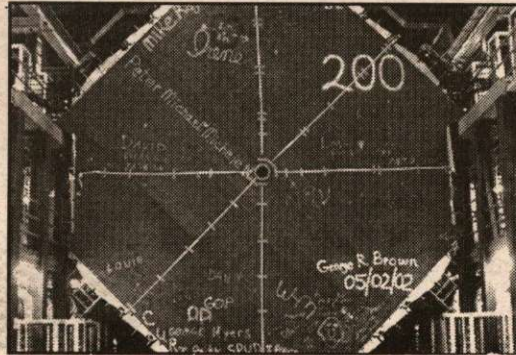
formed an interest in particle physics for me. I found that it was the area in which I want to apply my engineering talents, and so I plan on attending grad school for physics in the fall."

In addition to UMD's efforts, scientists from all over the world have been eagerly awaiting the results of MINOS. Thirty two different institutions, labs and universities are involved in the experiment. The majority of those involved are located within the U.S. and the U.K. However, the list of MINOS researchers extends to France, Brazil and Greece.

After 11 years of planning and construction, MINOS is well on its way. But even with the efforts of a full-time staff of six working underground 24 hours a day in the laboratory in Soudan, MINOS is far from completion.

"It will take five years of 24/7 operations to get enough data to be able to make a good measurement," said Habig.

Taking one more giant step into the world of neutrino research, the MINOS experiment is well underway and currently gathering data.



This is a cross-section of the device collecting the neutrinos sent 735 km from the Fermilab near Chicago.

others working on the MINOS experiment are using the mine as their own personal underground laboratory and the base station of their neutrino observing operations. The device used to catch the neutrinos that are aimed from Chicago toward Soudan is comprised of 6,000 tons of steel and is about a half a football field long. It's made up of multiple layers in order

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Twin Cities U considers Honors College

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The University of Minnesota Twin Cities is looking at adding an Honors College on the Twin Cities campus to help recruit more high-ability undergraduates.

The idea is one of many being considered by two task forces as the university works on strategies to become one of the world's top three public research universities.

The Honors College would offer accelerated courses throughout the university, Senior Vice President and Provost Thomas Sullivan told the *StarTribune*.

"It would give students

access to many academic opportunities," Sullivan said. "It is an opportunity to enhance recruitment and student success."

The academic and administrative task forces will forward recommendations on building academic excellence and finding financial efficiencies to President Robert Bruininks by the end of March. The Board of Regents approved the process Friday by voting to support principles that will guide planning and decisions.

In April and May, meetings

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university to discuss those reports. Bruininks will make his own recommendations to the regents in June for a board vote.

Bruininks hopes the strategies will transform the university. If the school is

to be excellent in the future, he has said, it has to examine everything from spending to organization to how it educates students.

Sullivan leads the task force that has been studying academic issues. That group's recommendations are likely to be general in nature, Sullivan said, but may include the Honors College idea as well as the possibility of a single admission point for undergraduates. Freshmen

now enter the Twin Cities campus through eight colleges that specialize in areas such as liberal arts, technology and business.

Under a general admission policy, freshmen would take classes around the university for at least their first year and enroll in specific colleges after declaring their majors.

Although the Twin Cities campus already has honors programs, they are specific to colleges. A well-advertised honors college that covers the entire campus might make the campus more appealing to high-ability students, Sullivan said.

Students get healthy at UMD Health Fair

By HEATHER TROW
STAFF REPORTER

The UMD Health Fair provided students with the opportunity to learn about health while enjoying and obtaining free food and massages.

Ted Gay, a member of the Head of the Lakes Organ Transplant group, was from one of the many Duluth

community groups invited to come and educate students.

"Our group provides information and support for families, we provide support and service for transplants of all organs. We've been giving presentations to classes as well," said Gay.

Jackie Hanson-Hietala, an intern at Health Services, organized the event.

"I researched past health

fairs, I looked at groups who have already been here and I took a lot of students surveys, trying to find out what they were interested in and what they would like to see at a health fair," she said. "Then I sent out invitations."

The many groups who attended included on-campus groups such as UMD Career Services, the UMD Office of Equal Opportunity

and UMD Campus Police. Representatives from these groups were available for questions and each group had colorful displays and pamphlets and some even had candy to give out.

Some of the other groups who attended included PAVSA (The Program for Aid to Victims of Sexual Assault), the Gambling Problems Resource Center and the Head of the Lakes Organ

Transplant Group.

The local branch of the Whole Foods Co-op came with snacks including trail mix, fruit leathers and Darjeeling tea.

There were a few tables devoted to exercise. They passed out pamphlets detailing services in UMD and the community that promoted health and healthy activities, along with a few tables devoted to eating better and maintaining a healthy diet.

They also passed out pamphlets with breakdowns of recommendations for meals and their grocery store prices.

By far the most popular group at the fair was the Lake Superior College Massage Program, who offered free massages from noon to 3 p.m. Throughout the three hours there was a long line for their professional massages. Many students came to the fair just for the massage, including freshman Devin Welsh.

"Basically, I just went to the health fair for the free massage, but the drunk glasses were really cool, too," said Welsh.

"There's been a really good turnout this year," said Hanson-Hietala. "We've had some good prize drawings for gift certificates, sub sandwiches, massages and the climbing wall. It's been a big success."

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UMD hosts Disabilities Awareness event

'Canine Companions' demonstration attracts many students

By HEATHER TROW
STAFF REPORTER

Last Wednesday, March 9, UMD students, staff and Duluth Community members gathered in the Kirby Ballroom to participate in the Disabilities Awareness event.

Traci Ohlenkamp, a senior Communication Sciences and Disorders major coordinated the event this year for the second time. She said the goal of the event was to educate anyone who was interested.

"This year is even better than last year because we were able to create a bigger event, have door prizes and we got 'Canine Companions' to come demonstrate with their dogs, it's been really popular this year," she said.

The 'Canine Companions' for Independence brought their

dogs and demonstrated their various functions.

"The room was packed for the 'Canine Companions' demo," said Ohlenkamp. "We were so excited to get them this year, and I think they really contributed to the great student turnout. I would say probably 300 students and faculty came."

The various tables set up in the ballroom represented all kinds of disabilities and there were several interactive

displays including a wheelchair obstacle course, which allowed

disorders allowed people to understand various

with Autism and those who care for them.

"The point of this event is not to create pity or guilt. It's to give you an eye into the disability culture and the incredible opportunities for growth, communication and learning that exist."

-Traci Ohlenkamp,
Event Coordinator

impediments of speech that spanned illnesses like strokes, language disorders and brain injuries. The table featured an artificial larynx students could experiment with and demonstrated various alternative methods of communication.

At the learning disabilities table, an interactive computer screen read aloud any information on its screen for those with dyslexia. At the

"I'm really happy that we're here because it's so important to break stereotypes, especially those associated with Autism created by movies like 'Rain Man'," said Ohlenkamp.

Ohlenkamp feels she achieved her objective this year, which was simply to create awareness and increase understanding about the myriad of disabilities that exist.

"The point of this event is not to create pity or guilt. It's to give you an eye into the disability culture and the incredible opportunities for growth, communication and learning that exist," she said.

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students to go around campus with a guide and experience life in a wheelchair.

A table on communication

event, Ohlenkamp sat at the autism table and demonstrated special methods that facilitated communication between those

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UMD women star in open mic night



KEITH GRAUMAN/UMD STATESMAN

UMD student Annie Ragsdale sings and plays her guitar for the open mic night sponsored by WRAC and the Women's Studies Program. This event was used to promote a collection of poetry written by the women at UMD. Students can pick up these free poetry books in the WRAC office.

By KEITH GRAUMAN
STAFF REPORTER

The Women's Resource and Action Center and the Women's Studies program held an open mic last Tuesday at the Northern Shores Coffee Shop.

"I just wanted women to listen to each other more. You get so mixed up with going to school and doing other things, I feel like we don't just stop and listen to each other," said event organizer Annie Ragsdale.

Tineke Ritmeester, chairperson of the Women's Studies department agreed.

"It's a community building event on-campus, and we just need more of those," she said.

The open mic night was held to help promote a collection of poetry written by women at UMD. The free book "Voice," was also put together by Ragsdale.

"[I want the book to] inspire everyone to pick up a pen or a pencil, like the posters [did]," said Ragsdale. "If you write and think, you are a writer."

As a theatre major, Rags-

dale served as an emcee for the night. She began by asking anyone who wanted to perform to sign up for a time slot.

A man in the audience asked with a smile, "What if you're a guy?"

Ragsdale smiled along with the audience and laughingly said, "Then you can listen."

Armed with only a guitar, a microphone and an old, scratchy speaker rented from AV, Ragsdale started out the night with some original songs. Her folky acoustic style was reminiscent of Ani DiFranco and Joni Mitchell.

Then another UMD student, wearing political buttons and a pro-choice pink armband, stepped up to the mic. She said she was too scared to read her own poetry, so she chose to read a few poems from the collection "Ain't I A Woman?"

Next, Ritmeester read some poetry from her favorite poet, Wislawa Szymborska.

"It's important for women to hear each other's voices," said Ritmeester.

For a free copy of "Voice," stop by the WRAC office in Kirby Student Center 266 or look for their table in front of the bookstore on Friday, March 18, from 12 to 5 p.m.

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will greatly benefit from it."

Bergson also spoke openly on his position on the aquarium, which the city council voted to give more money to on Monday night.

"I don't think the aquarium agreement is a good one, but we signed on to it and we have to pay the bill. If they fail this year, that's it," Bergson said.

According to Bergson, the aquarium is funded by money from hotels and motels in Duluth, which can only be used on tourism, but there are

many other operations that the money could be used for.

"We have put more money into the aquarium than any other tourist-related business, except the DECC," said Bergson. "It's not the number one reason people come to Duluth and we stuck it in a big building. I think it should have been a water park. It would have cost less to build."

Another major issue that the mayor talked about was Duluth's failing sewer system. He said the age and deterioration of the sewer system has caused many problems in Duluth, including sending sewage into Lake Superior. The city is working hard to fix this problem as efficiently and quickly as possible and will receive \$5 million from the state, plus the \$5 million that comes from utilities payments, according to Bergson.

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History of pro-life feminists and abortion discussed

By JP LEIDER
STAFF REPORTER

Pro-choice and pro-life proponents came together in a Montague lecture hall last Thursday to hear Sally Winn, Feminists for Life's vice president, and her stance on the history of feminists and the abortion question.

Survivors UMD, a pro-life organization, hosted the lecture.

Winn, who said she visits and lectures at many colleges and universities each year, spoke for much of the time about the history of pro-life feminists and, to a lesser extent, about the history of abortion. She also spoke of the issue of pregnancy in college.

According to Winn, 10 percent of women attending college become pregnant and 20 percent of all abortions are performed on women attending college. She said that she believes colleges and universities don't do enough to support pregnant students. UMD student and mother Lila Kahmann agreed.

After Kahmann had her daughter in spring semester last year, she decided to keep going to school.

"I had to contact five professors before I found one who would be accommodating," she said. "But the professors who are supportive are very supportive."

Kahmann said that UMD had been working on a childcare program, but that it has only recently come to fruition, much too late for her and her daughter.

"I was told it would be open by the time my daughter was born," she said. "It never opened, and I've been on a waiting list since July."

In addition to the lack of support from colleges and universities, Winn said that society has failed women, citing the "epidemic" of abortion as proof. Winn's organization, Feminists for Life, is a pro-life, nonpartisan organization that strives to eliminate what causes women to have abortions—lack of emotional and financial support, she said.

The money to support pregnant women, Winn said,

can be provided through the school, publicly or privately, but that it takes people on campus, on both sides of the issue, to work for change. Kahmann, who described herself as pro-choice, also said that she believes abortion is part of a much larger issue.

"I respect those who are pro-life," Kahmann said. "I'm curious how those who are pro-life support women."

Although intermittent applause occurred when Winn addressed points related to ideological differences on abortion, both pro-life and pro-choice supporters expressed interest in her main message of the evening, that "if we come together, we can eliminate the causes that drive women to abortion."

Winn said that nobody really wants an abortion, that it is an unfortunate result for those who feel they don't

have a choice. Christina Wilson, president of UMD Survivors, expressed interest in just that. She said she wants to find a middle ground with pro-choice supporters and create a better

atmosphere on campus for women.

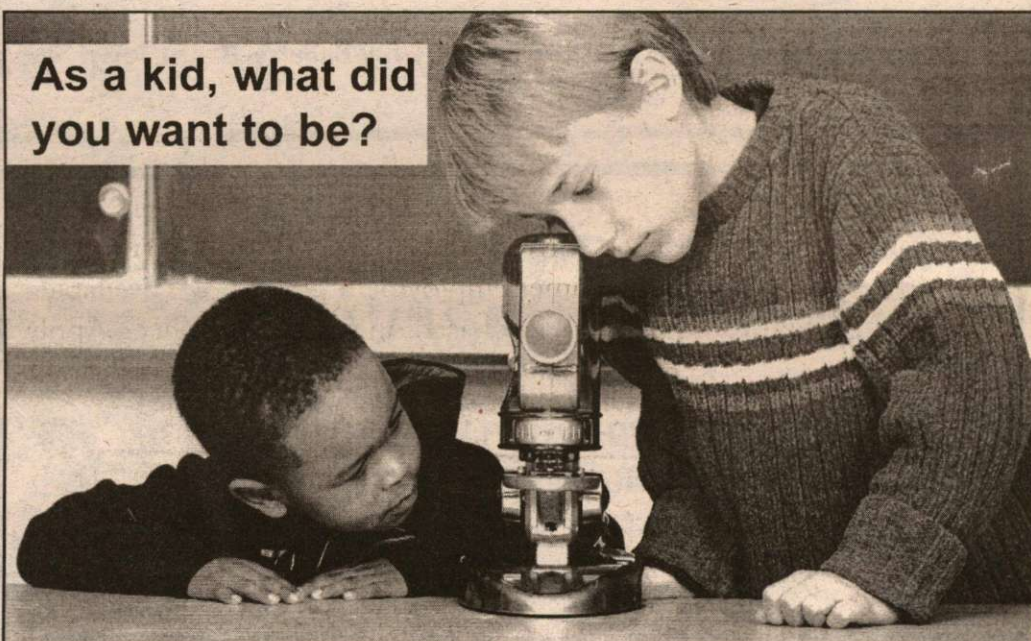
Wilson also expressed interest in inviting Winn back for a "Pregnancy Resources Forum," in which Winn had said she would sit down with students, faculty and administration to see what needs of pregnant women are being addressed and what still needs to be done.



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Yayoi Yoshida, "Master of Tea Ceremony," prepares a traditional Japanese tea ritual last Wednesday in the fourth floor rotunda of the UMD library for Duluth Mayor Herb Bergson and Rani Gill, administrative assistant to Superior Mayor David Ross. It was the opening ceremony for the Year of Languages panel discussion and the international exhibits in the library.

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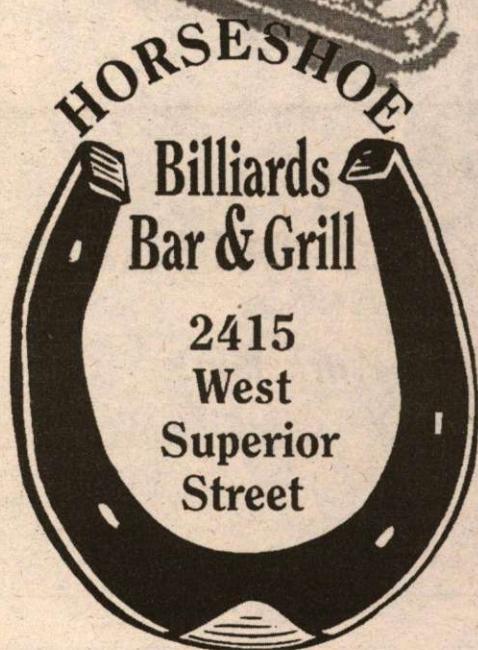
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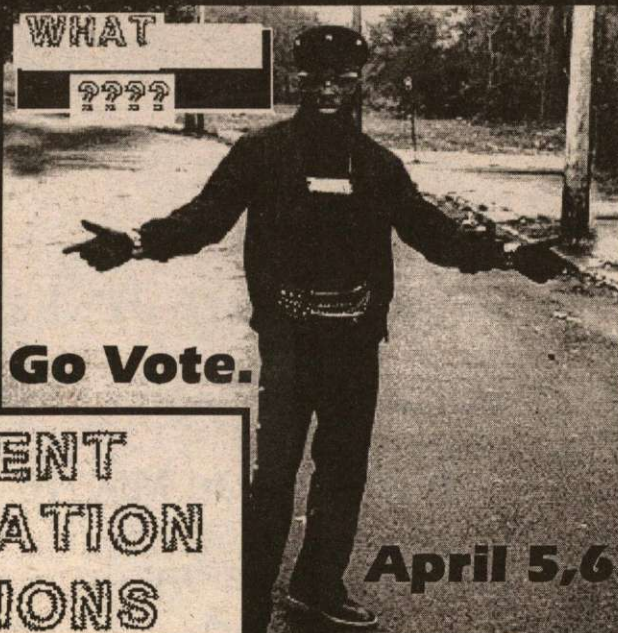
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RELIGION: Religious organizations offer students many opportunities to practice their faith on campus

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help people and help to build up Chi Alpha.

Lutheran Campus Ministry

Throughout its many years at UMD, the Lutheran Campus Ministry has provided students with an opportunity to live out their faith in a welcoming and open community.

The organization's main focus is on their worship, which takes place every Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m. in the Kirby Rafter, but it's much more than that.

"It's not just about the Sunday Worship. We also do

volunteering and community outreach," said Karen Myren, the Outreach minister and Fellowship and Hospitality chair. "It's a really good experience and has helped me grow not only spiritually but on a personal level."

On average, the Lutheran Campus Ministry has 45-50 people at their Sunday worship, but the organization offers some students a chance to hold leadership positions. Eight students constitute a council that makes programming decisions and plans events and services.

"It's a good place to develop leadership skills and faith," said Jeff Moen, president of the student council. "It's not a giant group, so you get to know people really quick."

"It gives students an opportunity to get to know other students with similar values and beliefs about life and faith," said Doug Paulson, campus pastor.

The worship services and activities that the Lutheran Campus Ministry takes part in aren't just for Lutherans. According to Paulson, there are a number of students who aren't Lutherans who attend various events.

Newman Catholic Campus Ministry

Like the other religious organizations, the Newman Catholic Campus Ministry offers students not only a place to worship and share their faith, but also to form a strong family and community.

"It got me involved and gave me a place where I could grow as a person," said Rebecca McAllister, a leadership team member of Newman.

"It's like a second home," added Mary Cyr, another member of the leadership team.

Members of the Newman Catholic Campus Ministry take part in events almost every day of the week. Weekly Mass takes place Sunday nights at 8 p.m., with 80-120 people in attendance on average.

They also have core events where 25-35 people usually

attend, such as a Thursday night mass and dinner at the Newman house, across St. Marie Street, where students volunteer to cook for those who attend.

"Our main mission is to provide the sacraments for students," said Leah Jacobson,

program coordinator. "Students can then get involved if they choose. You don't have to be Catholic to come to the events."

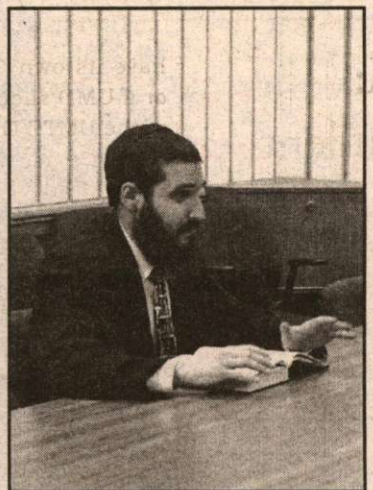
Through Newman Catholic Campus Ministry, students can find a spiritual connection

with God through fellowship and service. Every month the organization has a Saturday service and meets every Tuesday for a Rosary group.



LANCE FISCHER/UMD STATESMAN

A member of the audience stands during Chi Alpha's worship celebration last Tuesday, March 8.



KRISTI LEMAIR/UMD STATESMAN

Rabbi Boruch Greenwall leads last week's Jewish Student Organization meeting.

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Recent shuffling endangers UMD graduate programs

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The University of Minnesota is closing four programs, merging 16 others and considering the closure or merger of 16 more in a major restructuring of the Graduate School.

The four programs being shuttered are East Asian Studies, Russian Area Studies, Biomedical Science and Manufacturing Systems Engineering.

Three graduate programs at UMD -- art, music and physics -- are in danger of either closing or merging. All three programs have less than 12 students enrolled.

Students in programs that are merging will be able to finish their education under current rules, and no areas of study will be lost when programs merge, said Victor Bloomfield, interim dean of the Graduate School.

About 13 percent of the 154 graduate programs on the university's Twin Cities and Duluth campuses would be affected by either closure or merger. Most of the programs had student enrollments under 20, something that Bloomfield said can hurt educational quality. No students are enrolled in the four that are closing.

"An effective graduate program is one that provides a good educational experience, and that means they've got a

rich intellectual environment," he said. "In a program that's too small, a student doesn't have anyone to bounce ideas off, to study with, to hold seminars with."

One of the changes would be to merge two separate programs, Hispanic Linguistics and Hispanic Literature, with a third, Hispanic and Luso-Brazilian Literatures and Linguistics. Tim Dunnigan, interim chairman of the Department of Spanish and Portuguese, said that there once were reasons for those to be separate but that a merger makes sense now.

"It does lead to streamlining," he said. "It makes sense to regularize our program from top to bottom. The separate tracks [of study] will still be there, and the required courses won't change much."

Sixteen programs are listed as "still under discussion" for closure, merger or remaining the same. One of those is wildlife conservation, which has 17 graduate students. Jim Perry, department head of Fisheries, Wildlife and Conservation Biology, said merging that program with others has been under discussion for 18 months.

The action comes at a time when the university is looking for efficiencies both in finances and in the way it is organized.

have its own GAPSA chapter or if UMD should be a branch of the UMTC GAPSA.

"This is something for the UMD students to decide, but we won't know what the decision will be until it has been in operation for a while," said Buhr.

The *Minnesota Daily* reported that Abu Jalal, GAPSA president, said, "We're not going to dictate what you do, but we are here rather to help you coordinate what you want to do," when talking to the UMD students at the meeting.

As of right now, Pharmacy and Medical students will be a part of the Twin Cities campus GAPSA. The other graduates schools are still unsure what direction they will be taking at this point.

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Student Association news

Meghan Keil was elected vice president of Student Affairs on Monday in a unanimous vote by members of the Student Association.

Tiffany Varilek left her position as vice president of Student Affairs to take over for Brian Stewart as SA

president after his resignation took effect Monday. Keil was unopposed in her candidacy.

In other SA news, the deadline for all SA position applications for next year has been moved up to tomorrow. Applications are

available at the Student Association Office in the Kirby Student Center.

Furthermore, the "Deuce" program will return to the attention of the SA on Thursday, April 21, when SA will again attempt to put the bill in motion.



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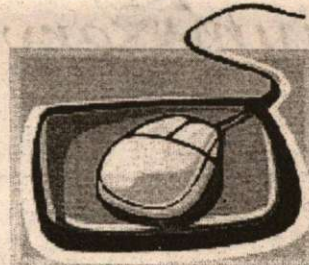
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GAPSA: Grad student organization expanding to UMD

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Buhr said that interest for a GAPSA chapter in Duluth sprung up last year, but there was not a strong group of students to make it happen.

"This year we have a very active group of students," she said. "I'm really excited about the whole process."

The *Minnesota Daily* reported that there are already about 17,000 students from 10 different colleges who are represented by GAPSA programs.

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"We are students of words: we are shut up in schools, and colleges, and recitation-rooms, for ten or fifteen years, and come out at last with a bag of wind, a memory of words, and do not know a thing."

- Ralph Waldo Emerson

Last weeks editorial, "StatesMAN name change?" loaded the *Statesman* e-mail with many responses. Here are a few of those responses we received.

Keep the name, you won't lose any money

I would strongly urge that you NOT change the name. For crying out loud, what's next? They'll be not picking up the paper then because there's a male on the front page or because the male to female ratio of writers is off by one. Please! Moreover, *Statesman* subscription fees come right out of the students' tuition statement if I'm not mistaken. My point is that you won't lose any money. I think the *Statesman* is great as is, name and all. If these people don't want to read their own school paper, which they already pay for, because of the name (how ridiculous) then it's their loss.

Kristin Saarela
SBE

'Not this again'

I think that the name of the newspaper is great just the way it is. I honestly said to myself "oh please, not this again," when I read about people complaining about the name, and not even picking one up because of the name. Please don't change it, it's had the name *Statesman* for so long and it would sound weird with another name, like *Statesperson* or something.

Kristen Bures
CSE

I looked up "statesman" in Webster's. Basically, the connotation is one of wisdom and temperance. I imagine whoever named the *Statesman* had that primarily in mind when it came time to do so. I don't believe that person intended more or less than that.

The sticking point is the ending syllable "man." I suppose, strictly speaking, it can be seen as exclusive, but I sin-

ble and perhaps even regal. It bespeaks the best qualities in a leader. Statespersonship sounds like a disease or an obscure ceremonial practice.

I have no problem with speaking of a great female lawmaker as a statesman;

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Statesman intention was not to exclude women

What is this renaming question really about? I think looking both at this and at why the *Statesman* was so named in the first place, may ultimately lead us to civility. That's what we need, above all.

cerely believe that the exclusion is only within the minds of those who want a reason to feel morally superior.

Have we seriously thought about the alternative? Roll "statesperson" off your tongue a few times. It's a cumbersome word, its only virtue is inoffensiveness. Can you picture it being used in a great speech? Compare these two lines.

"We owe so much to her for her unflagging statesmanship."

"We owe so much to her for her unflagging statespersonship."

Statesmanship sounds no-

praise of her civic virtues. The word is only exclusive if we decide that it is. The standard vocabulary has lots of other obsolete relics to which no one takes exception.

If you have a job, you probably receive a salary. I doubt you have a problem with that, even though you're paid in cash. The thing is, the word "salary" comes from the Latin *salarium*, which is salt. How can you stand to receive payment which has a name that excludes all media of exchange save salt? I'll tell you why. It just doesn't bother you. We have all, by common and unthinking consent, decided that the word salary is not limited to salt, in fact no longer takes the form of salt, and simply stands for regular payment for

services rendered.

We can do that with "statesman." For that matter, we can do it with "chairman," and with "man-kind." As a lover of words, I passionately prefer these two-syllabled obscenities to the forced, clumsy, insipid, gender-neutral alternatives that the paranoid would force upon us.

There is no real reason under the sky why women should be excluded from my beloved words, save that they themselves might refuse it. Let's just make our peace with the colloquial and be done with it.

John Cirilli
CSE

'What is next?'

I can't believe someone would complain about something as simple as a name of a newspaper...are people on this campus just looking for something to complain about? I mean, honestly, what's next? Change "manual" to "womanual" or "persanual"? Change "human" to "huwoman" or "huperson"? The extreme political correctness has gone is ridiculous. Keep the name the same. Go Bulldogs.
Bill Bronniche
CSE

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

SA Pub Crawl, more than just an excuse to drink

I was going to respond to Ms. Forsell's opinion article in the March 3 *Statesman*, but I got so drunk that Thursday that I totally forgot about it on Friday. I guess that comes with the territory, right?

In the March 3 article, Ms. Forsell generalized every person who drinks.

After reading the *Statesman* every week this year, what if I were to classify all humor writers as unfunny, high and mighty English majors whose sense of humor is far beyond everyone else's that attends UMD? So...you see where I am going with this. Generalizations like that are idiotic and petty, to say the least.

In the March 10 letter to the editor, you bashed the Student Association for hosting a Pub Crawl through Superior. What needs to be brought to your attention is that those participants willingly paid money to get on the bus and partake

in the festivities. I am pretty sure those students were going to go to Superior anyway and they were offered safe transportation, discount prices at the bar and to top it all off...a free T-shirt. Need I explain the significance of FREE? SA was probably looking for a way to get more people involved in Out Cold Week and realized that a Pub Crawl was one way to do it. I'm sure they assessed the risks they were taking in putting the event on, but the benefits outweighed the costs. I have quite a few friends who went on the Pub Crawl and they said they met a lot of cool people; and if I am not mistaken, that was what the event was for.

The way I see it, Ms. Forsell, you have some options. You could pack your belongings at the end of the year and transfer to another school that does not have ANY drinking, so you can live a happy life. Another option is to accept people for their differences and realize that they might not be as different as you think. One more option is that you can stop whining, join some sort of governing group on campus or in the community and let your opinions shine. Do not use the

Statesman as your personal pulpit to degrade drinking; we are aware that it is not exactly making us healthier. It's bad enough people are posting "death warnings" to smokers all over campus. I'll leave that alone though.

Ryan C. Johnson
CEHSP

Pub Crawl designed to further school spirit

The facts surrounding UMD Student Association's Pub Crawl: Safe and Sober transportation was provided to and from the event. SA took the time, money and responsibility to hire a police officer to check student ID's prior to the boarding of the bus.

Also, let us get a definition of a "Pub Crawl"- a tour of bars or public houses (usually taking one drink at each stop). Apparently, the Princeton WebSci Service disagrees with Forsell's hurtful definition.

In representing all UMD students, we at the UMDSA would like to point out that

Ms. Forsell's letter appeared to be a personal attack on our organization and thus an attack on the student body as a whole. Our Pub Crawl was designed only to further school spirit in a safe and fun way, in accordance with "Out Cold Week" events.

UMDSA can take one of two stances on alcohol. We can either realize that a large percentage of students drink and attempt to provide a safe environment, that Ms. Forsell tersely penned, "promotes student welfare." Or we could close our eyes and ignore the overwhelming lines at University Liquor, Grandma's Sports Garden and the empty boxes of booze left out on countless curbs awaiting garbage day.

Counter to Ms. Forsell's claim, our campus doesn't ban alcohol entirely. In fact, the only "dry" notion at UMD is the humorous stipulation that alcohol consumption is allowed so long as the consumers have permission from the Chancellor (who so far, hasn't granted any except for the Administration's Christmas party). We hope this clarifies the matter.

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DTA needs consistency

By UZAIR MUKADAM
STAFF WRITER

Imagine it's a Monday morning, you are all fired up for that 8 a.m. class and that test coming up this week - and don't forget the freezing temperature outside. After taking a shower and getting everything in order, you look at the clock and say, "okay, time to go," so you can arrive at the bus stop on time. You are halfway down the stairs, thinking you're doing well on time, and suddenly you see the bus pass by four minutes before it should. There's nothing you can do except stand there and go "what the f#@!?"

This has happened to me more than once, just two months into the semester.

The DTA bus has either come early to the stop, or left 10 minutes before time from the Kirby bus stop. On all these occasions I have called the DTA and the reply has been, "Sir, we are sorry," or "please let us take a look into the matter." There was an incident about four weeks back, where the

bus that I was traveling on had come to my stop four minutes before time. Luckily, I had been there standing in that freezing temperature for a few minutes already. You know - once bitten, twice shy. After picking up a few people on Superior Street, the bus proceeded on, but then stopped at 24th Avenue for five minutes to get back on schedule. Turning around, I saw quite a few people waiting on the street a few blocks down probably wondering what had just happened.

The drivers of the bus are normally very nice and cordial and are mostly on time. But they should realize that they have to arrive on the dot every time since a vast number of people, college students included, count on and take the bus. Being a couple of minutes late is still acceptable, but leaving early simply is not. Administrators at the DTA should take a look at this, as it is a major source of transportation for a bunch of students going to three universities in close proximity.

After talking to the DTA office, I came to find out that they might have to start charging students for using the bus. They said this was their last option, as funding for free transportation to students will end in 2006. Let's take the worst-case scenario, and say they do not find the funding from any other source; given recent inconsistencies in service, I do not know how many students would want to actually pay for the DTA. The expected pass might be as much as \$50 dollars a semester. Well! To be honest, I would rather pay for a regular parking pass than pay a comparable amount to the DTA. If the DTA wants to increase its popularity with the student body and encourage more people to use (and potentially pay for using) the bus, then

"This has happened to me more than once, just two months into the semester. The DTA bus has either came early at the stop, or left 10 minutes before time from the Kirby bus stop."

they probably should start taking a few measures to ensure better service. These "mis-haps" may look rather minor to some, but to the students without other means of transportation, it's much more.

People can argue their belief that the DTA is usually pretty busy, but being a regular on the bus, I have seen a number of students who prefer to drive rather than take the bus. In some ways, I do think that the bus is more convenient given UMD's parking problems, but still I see more and more people are opting to drive themselves.

The DTA is a pretty handy service for students and if they just made it a bit more reliable, more and more students will start to use it. That will also help the DTA, as ad sales seem to be a major source of revenue for them. Not to mention that they may have to start charging students to ride the bus. Putting up with inconvenience when the service is free is something completely different than if you have to pay for it. On the other hand, if such incidents keep on occurring, very soon we will likely have more parking problems, and certainly more empty buses.

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UMD is still a long way from being truly 'diverse'

By JOYCE KRAMER
GUEST COLUMNIST

Last December, after 23 years as a faculty person at UMD, I retired. The recommendations that I made then are still relevant.

The ideal campus would promote the free exchange of ideas, however controversial. This is particularly important today given the very serious problems our globe faces - environmental deterioration, growing polarization between rich and poor and chronic warfare. By definition, this ideal campus would have a high degree of diversity within its administration, faculty, staff and students, so as to represent the wide array of experiences and viewpoints, which make dialogue meaningful and problem solving possible.

UMD has made remarkably insufficient progress over the years. UMD's Fall 2004 enrollment (not including international students) reveals that less than 6 percent were non-white. This contrasts to 12.5 percent of the state's population. In other words, Black, Hispanic, Asian and American Indian students are grossly under-represented. Also, faculty of color are under-represented when compared to the state population.

There are a number of remedies that I recommend:

(1) Put "affirmative action" back in a reorganized Office of Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity. Then, make "affirmative action" meaningful by aggressively recruiting members of the under-represented populations and by improving the campus climate so as to retain them.

(2) Anonymously survey all faculty, staff and students from the protected classes to determine the nature of their experiences at UMD and to remedy the negatives which have caused so many to feel unwelcome. Exit interviews with those who leave would be especially useful.

(3) Incoming faculty and students of color should not have to deal with housing discrimination off-campus and racism which some experience on-campus. Temporary university owned housing should be purchased and made available for incoming faculty until they get established in Duluth. All residence hall students should be given questionnaires, which profile attitudes, so that no student of color is placed randomly with hostile roommates. A "Fair Bulldog" campaign should be started whereby all rental housing in Duluth is tested by volunteers to determine whether the landlords welcome applicants of color. When the minority volunteers are treated with respect, the landlords would be given a "Fair Bulldog" sticker and all members of the campus community would be asked to boycott housing that does not display the sticker.

(4) Regarding tenure related decisions, it should be acknowledged that many mainstream journals do not publish articles about minorities, thereby putting untenured minority faculty who write about minority concerns in jeopardy. Other difficulties experienced by faculty of color and international faculty when submitting to mainstream journals include methodological criticisms related to small population sizes and some editorial boards' refusal to consider articles critical of the United States and the status quo. Given that some minority scholars deviate from majority culture paradigms, tenure decisions should not be on the number of articles published, but rather on the quality of scholarship.

(5) The Administration needs to foster dialogue rather than squelch it. For example, a number of campus organizations were disbanded by Chancellor Martin, including the Commission on Human Diversity. This conveyed a message that any controversy that may bring negative public attention and/or hinder fund-raising will not be permitted. While nice buildings are desirable, they do not make a great university. People and their ideas do.

(6) Establish a wider array of institutional structures, which specifically address people of color. For example, a Department of African American and African Studies would be inviting to potential African American faculty and students.

(7) National data indicate that the median family income of public college students is higher than for private colleges. Also the data indicate that increasingly more scholarships across the nation are based on grades rather than on family income. We must provide more support for low-income students. The University of North Carolina has established a national precedent by covering the full educational costs of low-income students, including tuition, room and board. Also, we should establish programs whereby judges could send low-income offenders to college rather than to prison for minor offenses. For example, low-income mothers whose only crime is to forge checks could be given the option of attending college thereby upgrading their employability and income. Funding to send a person for one year to a university costs considerably less than a year in prison. Furthermore, it is more humane and costs taxpayers less than providing foster care for children who are orphaned while their mothers are in prison.

(8) Employ an ombudsperson to which faculty, staff and students could go when in conflict with other members of the campus community. This person should be autonomous rather than part of the Administration.

(9) Finally, we should practice the democratic ideals we espouse and elect UMD's top administrators. Oulu University in Finland, with which UMD has an exchange program, does exactly that; they elect the Chancellor from the faculty ranks.

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Don't leave your manners with your homework over Spring Break

By AMBER GLAWE
STAFF WRITER

The light at the end of the tunnel is getting closer. Yes, folks, this week is just about over and Spring Break is almost upon us. For many, this break will be a much-needed respite from monotonous classes and homework. For some, this break will be an escape from the U.S., a week of vacation away from home. However, there is one important thing that many will forget to incorporate into their luggage.

What is this vital ingredient? Call me a prude, but I'd say that bringing your *manners* is almost as imperative as bringing underwear. For those of you who are lucky enough to be flying off to some tropical locale or atop a snowy mountain, I'm sure you'll remember to enjoy your trip. But you might forget, as your mother would say, to *behave* yourself.

While Spring Break is a time to let loose and have a great time, it is not the time to abuse the privileges you are enjoying. Your hotel might not be the Hilton, but there's no need to puke all over the bathroom floor and expect the maid to clean it up. Depending on where you are staying, many of the staff who serve you work up to 14 or 16 hours a day for amazingly low pay. Leave your towels on the floor, but at least have the decency to not torture the cleaning staff with your bodily fluids.

If you are visiting a foreign country, it is an excellent idea to become familiar with the

language. Just because you are American does not mean that everyone should have to learn English for you. It's easy to say "por favor" and "gracias" once in a while, and we all know what "cerveza" means. You don't need to be fluent, but you'll quickly discover that having a small knowledge of the language is useful in many situations.

Don't forget that the place you're visiting has a native culture that you probably haven't experienced. By eating at McDonalds and shopping at Wal-Mart, you will not be exposed to new and different things. America has successfully infiltrated almost every city on earth, so it might take some digging to find authentic cuisine or entertainment, but it will be worth the effort.

The goal of Spring Break is to get out, have fun and be carefree for a week, not to make a complete ass of yourself and your friends. The "don't do anything your mother wouldn't be proud of" adage doesn't necessarily apply to the Spring Break experience, but there is something to be said for retaining your dignity (e.g., not vomiting in a random Mexican gutter). Do a few body shots, dance on a bar, befriend the "Girls Gone Wild!" camera crew. But please, please be nice to the people whose hometown you are terrorizing for a week. You might not remember them, but you might be remembered as "that dude/girl who peed in the lobby flowerpot at 4 a.m." See what I mean?

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Beered up babies: A conspiracy



By KEITH GRAUMAN
STAFF REPORTER

For years conspiracy theorists have debated everything from the assassination of JFK to whether or not Michael Jackson is an alien. However, no one is prepared for the shocking conspiracy this reporter uncovered: a scheme so diabolical, many will not be able to accept the truth. The U.S. government has been poisoning babies for the past 150 years.

With what? Alcohol. That's right - booze, hooch, shine, grandpa's cough medicine - whatever you want to call it. Once I knew what was going on, the evidence jumped out at me like an intoxicated toddler on a trampoline.

When a woman is about to go into labor she is given a shot. The doctors say that it's to help with dilation, but

in reality, it's a concentrated compound made by experts from the Jack Daniels Corporation. The government refers to it only as, "Location: Sour Mash." The shot is so strong that it makes the baby drunk for the next two to four years.

It makes perfect sense that babies cannot form coherent sentences. In the initial stages, when the effect of the alcohol is still strong, they usually just moan and cry to get what they want. Later on, when the effects begin to wear off, babies are able to form simple three or four-word sentences such as, "Mommy, me want bottle." This speech ability bears an uncanny resemblance to how an inebriated adult orders Taco John's at 2:30 a.m. after getting kicked out of the Reef Lounge. "Hey! Meat Potato Burrito, Olés!"

While infants live off pureed carrots and mashed peaches, beered up college kids live off extra large orders of mini corn dogs from the House of Donuts. While these may seem like opposite ends of the food spectrum, they both somehow produce the same result: vomit. Coincidence? I think not.

Babies usually can't walk until they're about a year old. When they fall down, they look sort of like Whiplash the Cowboy Monkey falling off of his dog. Except when Whiplash

falls down, he doesn't piss his pants and cry. Little tykes then settle for a crawl until they're more stable. In comparison, Hot 100 shots render Frankie's customers wobbly and they, too, end up crawling home.

One of the less talked about problems is when reckless, drunken babies get in the driver's seat of their Power Wheels. Whether it's the girly, hot pink Barbie Jeep, or the mini-Tonka dump truck, these little toys can turn an innocent drive through the park into a death race. The tipsy little bundles of joy are in control of 20 pounds of raw plastic and a 6-volt battery that sends them screaming down our residential streets at two miles per hour.

The evil scheme of the spiked labor shot stems from the darkest corners of Washington D.C. It's rooted in the back-alleys and crack houses of American politics and has even affected the country's most powerful man: President George W. Bush. He was given the injection as a baby. Unfortunately for the world, the buzz never wore off. Our nation's leader has spent the last damn near 60 years stumbling through life more hammered than Anna Nicole Smith at the 2004 American Music Awards. Oh, the humanity.

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Salutations, Terry

Necessary advice for everyday living

Terry,

Spring Break starts tomorrow and I have nothing planned. I have a fair amount of money saved up and zero to do. I really don't want to sit on my mom's couch for a week. Any fun ideas?

Spring Breaker

Howdy, SB,

I've been sitting back in my chair for the last hour trying to come up with an answer to your dilemma. I've got my feet up on my desk and some kick ass U2 playing. I've even got a bowl of pretzel sticks and a Smirnoff Twisted Green Apple, but shit, I can't think of one damn thing to help you out.

I'd suggest you go to Cancun or some other heavily exploited South American tourist shit-hole, but there's nothing remotely fun about those places. Sure, you've got sweaty women in too-small bikinis and more beer than you know what to do with, but if you've got integrity, it won't mean a bloody thing. South-of-the-border hot spots are basically a bunch of

sandy, blue Port-A-Potties. Do you have any idea how many intoxicated college students pee in the water on Spring Break? What's the likelihood that you'll come back home and not have an STD? Worst yet, you'll probably get talked into having your hair put into those gross cornrows with the beads on the ends.

I'd recommend that you go skiing with friends at some over-priced lodge, but that's such a cliché idea, it almost makes me want to puke all over my new shirt from Ragstock. There's nothing I hate more than a gaggle of blondish, pretty 20-somethings with swishy jackets and Abercrombie sweaters downing a stupid amount of sale beer between slaloms. Wait, I do hate death and war more than that...but not by much.

You could go to Europe and see all the historical sites and buy souvenirs you'll never look at again; however, Europe has already been so degraded by the invasion of fat-assed American tourists, I'd advise against your becoming part of it. All

the Yanks do after they unload their tubby selves off the plane is smirk and whisper to each other about the women with hair in "inappropriate" places and stare at couples making out on benches. Then they go home and show the foreign currency to their friends and thumb through a pile of stupid photos and, bam, it's over.

When it all comes down to it, you're better off on your parents' sectional watching Game Show Network. You can shuffle around in your socks all day, get homework done that you should've started long ago and binge on the stuff that's been in your folks' cupboards since before you left for school. It's not worth telling your friends about, but at least you won't have to look back later and say, "What the hell was I thinking?"

Salutations,
Terry

I heard somewhere that if you sneeze, fart and hiccup at the same time, you'll explode. I want you to know that this is NOT true. Don't be scared, little ones. Terry's here. salutations_terry@yahoo.com.



RANDOM GENIUS:

Female Wisdom With Brittany Hagan

"Ghandi didn't eat and we called it a spiritual fast, but when Mary Kate does it, it's anorexia. Just another example of a patriarchal society trying to keep the woman down."

A gigantic applause to last week's "Airplane!" movie trivia winners! To you, Sir Adam Greshowak and Mr. Cool, we bow our heads.

top ten ways to spend st. patrick's day

By Amy Forsell
and Eric Simon



10. Puking.
9. Eating and drinking stuff you normally wouldn't just because it's that fake, green dye color.
8. Hunting for leprechauns with a magnifying glass and a plaid hat on.
7. Looking up who St. Patrick actually was and why he was so damn special that he got his own holiday.
6. Run around screaming, "Kiss me, I'm a quarter Norwegian on my dad's side."
5. Fighting soccer hooligans.
4. Trying to find Mike Myers' phone number so you can make him say funny things in an Irish accent.
3. Trying to learn Riverdance while inebriated.
2. Questioning life and the meaning of everything in it.
1. Drinking with your mother...and then kicking her ass in a drunken stupor.

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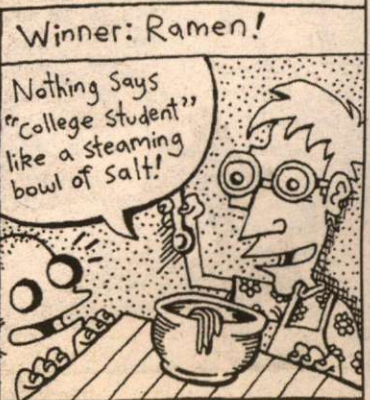


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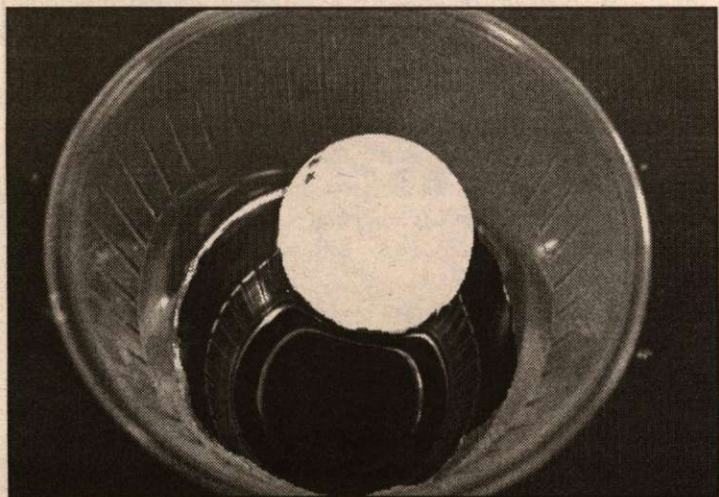


Hint/Tip: Stick with the pizza.

The D.C. is a clean place with an always changing, fun menu. Problem: They aren't above serving you the food court's collection of arms & legs...



The phenomenon of PONG



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College students around the country clock endless hours in damp, unfinished basements with one goal in mind: sinking a ping-pong ball into a cup on the opposite end of the table.

By KIEREN SELL
ASSISTANT STUDENT LIFE EDITOR

It's a college house and the basement is dark and dingy. The floor and table are wet and sticky from the spills. College kids drink from cups that have been used and unwashed for weeks. A ping-pong ball is dared to be thrown again after being dropped on the floor that hasn't been cleaned all semester. The popular drinking game changes rules from house to house, but the object remains the same. It is beer pong.

Upon entering a college house, a quick prayer is needed as you maneuver down steep stairs that would not pass a city inspection.

The basement may seem uninhabitable to most, with its moldy pipes and coin-operated washer and dryer shoved in the corner, but the tenants have made it their haven.

Those who have already arrived are surrounding the piece of plywood, warped from the beer spills, sitting atop sawhorses.

Competition drives those who step up and wait in line for their turn at the table. Some partner up with their roommate or friend, others with whoever is willing and able. Dynasties are created as teams of two continuously sink the ball into cup after cup.

"As it gets bigger and bigger, more players are going to want to play, and the more you play the better you get, the better you get, the more you want to play," says Brian Flaska, a UMD junior, who can't wait to get to a table on weekends. "It's a cycle; once you start you can't stop."

The teams set up six plastic cups into pyramids. Teams grab their Busch and Keystone Light cans, filling their cups up with as much beer as their stomachs will allow.

Back and forth flies the ball, some barely missing the rim and others not even coming close.

Team members barely swallow as they drink out of the cup that a ball found its way into and then throw again. As the final shot is made, the winners cry out in victory, while the losers hang their heads and consume the winner's leftovers.

Down the street, students are playing the game, but with different rules and a different name.

To them, it is Beruit, and the players are throwing beer caps to take on their opponents.

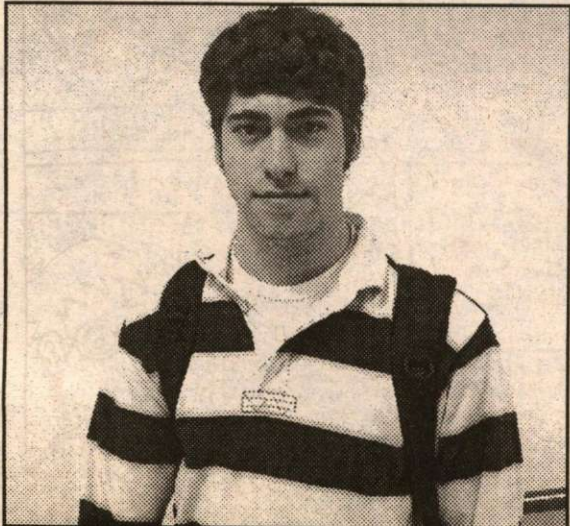
Calling your friend across town, you find they are playing beersketball, yet another variation with rules much like those of the other games.

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What's the best part of beer pong?



TONY MARQUARDT/PHOTO EDITOR

"There's alcohol and it's a game, two things that go well together."

-- Caleb Glantz, junior, Mechanical Engineering major

"I like it because it's a challenge and it's a lot of fun. The game makes beer more enjoyable."

-- Catherine Hernandez, sophomore, Finance major



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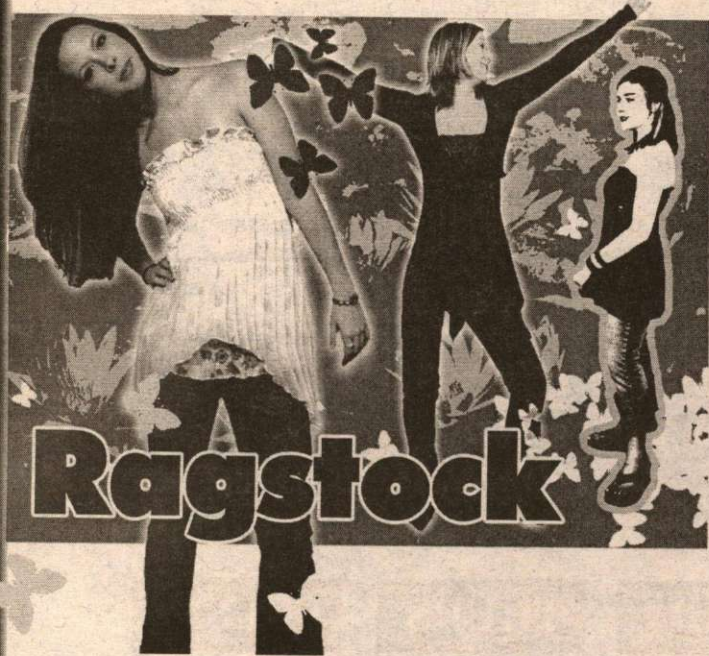
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Web sites sell accessories and custom beer pong tables

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Rules vary from house to house. One set of rules may allow players to run across the room to grab the ball for their possession. In another, screaming and shouting, even a possible mooning, are used as distraction tools. Across the street, you have to sign up on a list to even have a chance at making it to the table.

The game draws in many college students for its friendly competition, but some get serious and participate in tournaments at bars or houses.

"I do think that as long as there are keg parties and young people drink beer, beer-sketball or one of the varieties will always be popular," says Jason Anderson, UMD senior. "According to *FHM* or *Maxim*, this game has been around since the '50s."

There are organizations in the country that sponsor tournaments and leagues that play serious games. Web sites, in-

cluding the National Beer Pong League at www.beerpong.net, offer guides to the variations of play, places to buy custom tables and other accessories for the game.

The phenomenon that is beer pong may be only a passing fad for this generation, but its intensity and popularity will make it a memory of their college years for many students, even for those who never played the game.

Games continue on and on into the night as people come and go from basements, dining rooms and living rooms. Those who have been playing for hours start to see 24 cups on the opposite side of the table instead of 12. Walking into another house of strangers, there is an instant conversation as you see people concentrate hard on the cups, harder than they've ever concentrated on a test.

It is the cheering as someone makes it into a cup that has been a target for her or him the entire game. It is the mark on your pants after you leaned up against the table soggy with the leftover beer. It is the moment when you can hardly hold onto the ball after winning too many games in a row, but still clinching that last cup for victory. It is beer pong.

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Rules of Play

There are thousands of ways that drunk college students in basements across America play the game. Here are how some students lay out the rules before throwing the balls.

RACKING:

- When playing with two pyramids of six cups each, a re-rack is done when there are a total of six cups left on your side, forming one pyramid in the center of the table.
- When playing with one pyramid of 10 cups on a side, re-racks are done with six, four and two cups are left.

PADDLES:

- Some folks play with ping-pong paddles and aim for two cups on the opposite side of the table. These rules are drastically different than forms played without paddles.

GENTLEMAN'S GAME:

- You must finish your drink before you throw for your turn.
- Distracting the other team when they're throwing is kept to a minimum.
- If the ball has made its way into the cup, but is spinning at the top, you can't blow and try to get the ball out. It will inevitably sink in and the cup must be drank.

FULL-CONTACT:

- Once the ball misses a cup, it's fair game. The team who fights their way to the ball first gets to shoot.
- Distractions are encouraged, but if it hits any part of the opposing team's bodies before reaching the cups, the distractor must drink.
- Blowing into the cup to try and retrieve the spinning ball is allowed. If the ball escapes the cup without a trace of beer on it, it doesn't count and it's your turn to throw.

"Sometimes when I reflect back on all the beer I drink I feel ashamed - Then I look into the glass and think about the workers in the brewery and all of their hopes and dreams. If I didn't drink this beer, they might be out of work and their dreams would be shattered. Then I say to myself, 'It is better that I drink this beer and let their dreams come true than be selfish and worry about my liver.'"

-Deep Thought, Jack Handey

Luthier lessons with a legend

By RACHEL SKELTON
STAFF REPORTER

Making music is one thing, but making a musical instrument is quite another. For the past 10 years, Ed Schaefer of Schaefer Guitars has been teaching luthier lessons, or string instrument-making lessons, to guitar-loving individuals of all ages.

Schaefer's classes consist of his pupils observing him build a guitar in his shop.

"My students don't build the guitar here," said Schaefer. "They take as many pictures as they want of the process, often between 300 and 400, and are allowed to take all of my molds and jigs home so they can copy them, and build their own guitar at home."

According to Schaefer, luthier classes in which the student builds the guitar with the instructor are costly at around \$15,000. Schaefer's classes, on the other hand, are offered for \$1,500.

His classes range in length from 125-150 hours, which is stretched out during a two-week period.

"The student watches me from start to finish, the strings and all," said Schaefer. "The only thing they don't see is the finishing and lacquering, which is a very timely process."

Schaefer's luthier lessons are also informal. If a student has a job, Schaefer works around their schedule and offers his classes two or three nights a week.

"I talk about everything with the student," said Schaefer. "Everything from woods, suppliers, materials... I don't hold anything back. I let them in on everything I know."

Schaefer's knowledge on the subject is quite extensive because he has been building guitars since 1974.

Around 1995, Schaefer began to provide luthier classes for \$500. Since then, he has had about 45 students in his shop.

Most take the lessons with the intention of building their own guitar; however, a few have taken the classes just to watch Schaefer build.

"I've had students with absolutely no interest in building their own guitar- they just want to see it being done," said Schaefer.

His pupils have been of all

ages ranging from 18 to 65 years old.

"Just like young and old people play music, young and old are interested in building instruments as well," he said.

Schaefer builds approximately 12 to 18 guitars a year and his specialty are arch top guitars, which are also known as jazz boxes, and have both an arched top and back.



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His guitars are built using only materials of the highest quality. The backs and sides of his guitars are created using European maple, a beautiful, flamed wood.

European spruce is utilized for the top of a Schaefer guitar, while the

necks are made from a American wood called Eastern Hard Rock maple. Gabon ebony is used for the pick guards and other details on a Schaefer guitar.

Schaefer builds both six-string and seven-string guitars. According to Schaefer, a Schaefer guitar produces a "warm, jazzy sound," and ranges in price from \$5,000 to nearly \$10,000. Among the famous owners of Schaefer guitars is Grammy award-winning jazz guitarist, Eric Johnson.

"I am in this business because I love it," Schaefer said. "While it may sound like I'm making big money, the materials are expensive, the labor is intense and it can be costly to keep the machines up."

In addition to teaching his luthier classes, Schaefer practices with his duo, the "Jazz

Roosters," who rehearse from 6-8 a.m., five days a week. The "Jazz Roosters" are planning to start performing soon and have several venues already lined up.

On April 23rd, guitar greats Fred Hamilton, Mike Nace and Mike Wheeler will hold a Master's Class at Schaefer's

shop from 1-4 p.m. Many are expected to attend, including UMD jazz guitar students.

In the evening, Schaefer's Players will be performing a concert at the Sacred Heart Music Center, which begins at 7 p.m.

Schaefer Guitars is located in the lower level of the Electric

Fetus at 12 E. Superior St. For more information, call 722-1766 or visit www.schaeferguitars.com. To learn more about how to register for luthier classes, e-mail Ed Schaefer at ed@schaeferguitars.com.

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'String' binds together love themes

By ANN PERKINS
STAFF REPORTER

"String" is a refreshing look at love, it's real and it's laugh-out-loud funny. While its humor is something we can appreciate now, its message will last longer. It is like a slice of cheesecake for the soul, delicious, satisfying and filling. "String" is something that will linger on the mind like cheesecake on the tongue long after its finished.

Jessica Lind, the 2003 UMD graduate who wrote the play, chose the title because love can be like a string.

"String is something fragile, something that can't hold two things together on its own," Lind said in an e-mail interview. "But when it's wound around something enough, it builds strength. Like a relationship, you need more than each other to hold together. You need other people to support and love you, and you need

to work on the relationship in order to hold it together."

The protagonist in the play is Raina, a recent graduate with a degree in English literature. She loves romantic poetry and dreams someday that she will find "love worthy of 10,000 admirers."

She falls for two different men, Ryan, a pizza delivery guy who wants to own a fertilizer company and Derek, a future English professor. At the same time, another story is developing between Raina's sister Joy and her husband Cliff. They are newlyweds who are questioning their love for one another.

This play transcends age and gender boundaries. Not only is it a window into the lives of the current generation, but it is also an ageless message about love.

"My hope was that this play would touch all audiences, young and old," said

Lind. "And the response I've gotten from both have been phenomenal. My favorite thing about this play is that anyone can relate to it, because everyone has been in love, has lost love or hopes to someday find that one great love."

The actors bring "String" to life because the play is built entirely on their relationships.

The sets in this production were simple and the costumes were plain and "Gap-esque," which provided a blank canvas on which the acting stands out. Raina's simple bubble gum pink living room, full of bookshelves and the Barnes and Noble set of round tables, are appropriate scenery for a 20-something's life.

Raina, played by Mary Louise Fox, is a girl who always has her nose in a book and truly believes that Prince Charming will walk off the page and into her life. But, she

takes for granted the fact that there are real people who care for her. She is a normal girl in her twenties who consoles her problems with her sister over a baker's dozen of glazed Krispy Kremes and enjoys writing poetry, listening to tunes on her CD player and eating mocha dream cheesecake.

Fox becomes exactly the person who Lind intended for the role.

"Mary is an absolute dream," Lind said. "She is graceful, beautiful, vulnerable and she has this amazing ability to connect with true emotion. It is rare to find an actress who can be so incredibly real on stage."

Ryan, played by Taylor C. Hays, is a relentless admirer and he is downright funny. He is the guy who always has a smart comment or a "this one time ..." story. He is the person at social gatherings that everyone just watches to hear what he is going to say or do next. He is the person that could make you laugh when you are crying.

Hays does an excellent job at delivering some zinging one-liners and remaining true to

his boy next-door character.

"Taylor is perfect for the role of Ryan," Lind said. "He approached the role with exactly the right quirkiness and enthusiasm, and he added so much of his own personality to Ryan, which made him even more fun to watch."

All of the actors do a fine job of bringing the realistic characters to life. Everyone has either been or known a Raina, Ryan, Derek, Joy or Cliff. Their performances make it easy to see Lind's message that love is like a string, a fragile bond that connects us to each other.

Lind has been pleased with the audience response so far.

"It was a surreal experience for me," she said. "To hear people laughing and to see them crying, wiping tears from their eyes, that, to me, is theatre's greatest accomplishment. When people relate to the story, when they are touched by what they've experienced on stage, that is powerful. And to think that they are crying and laughing at something I've written, well, that's nothing short of miraculous."

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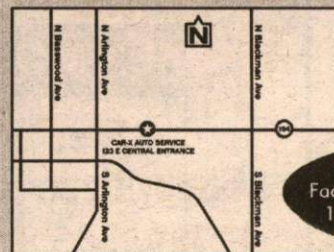
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Record snowfall isn't horrible for everyone

Heavy snow is bad news for shovelers, but brings business to Spirit

By RACHEL SKELTON
STAFF REPORTER

Skiing and snowboarding have been extremely popular this winter as a result of the tremendous snowfall Duluth has received, and resorts like Spirit Mountain have been thriving.

According to the National Weather Service Office, Duluth has recorded 83.2 inches of measured snowfall this winter, which ranks the winter of 2004-2005 as the third snowiest in both the all-time and airport records.

The UMD Ski Team, which holds its practices at Spirit Mountain, has had a remarkably successful season, and the generous snowfall this winter has definitely helped.

Last week, the team competed in the United States Collegiate Ski and Snowboard Association (USCSA) National Championships in McCall, Idaho.

The team qualified for Nationals three weeks ago at the Midwest Regional Meet in Marquette, Michigan, where the men's team finished third out of 23 teams and the women came in second out of 16 teams.

"We had very good snowfall this year, as well as fairly good weather, which makes for great skiing," said UMD Ski Team captain Kyle Goochey.

The snowfall helped the team get a jump on the season, and unlike most years, they were able to get some quality training in before any of the races started.

"The snow gave us enough of a base to practice, train and work, and it gave us that extra edge on our competition, which led to the opportunity to attend Nationals," said UMD Ski Team member Nick Dyshaw.

Other advantages that the snow provided was being able to maintain coursework and find a good pathway for the courses the team set.

"The incline in alpine temperatures is another added bonus to the team because they are able to practice later and more often," said UMD Ski Team member Alexander Carlson.

The abundance of snow also made for some fun for the UMD Ski Team.

"We had some great snowball fights at races and faced some interesting driving conditions," said UMD Ski Team member Andrew Shultz.

According to Spirit Mountain ski instructor Mike Romanofsky, the two factors that bring in more business are mild weather and fresh powder snow.

"The more snow we have, the faster we can open at the beginning of the season, and the more runs we can have open," said Romanofsky. "It doesn't matter what the hill conditions are if the weather is cold because no one wants to ski or snowboard in that kind of weather."

The mild weather also warms up the snow, so it's not as icy, and makes it easier to tilt skis and steer.

According to Spirit Mountain Corporate Sales employee, Briana Schaub, Spirit Mountain has exceeded its past record sales of lift tickets and rentals this year, despite the sales drop during the very cold Martin Luther King Day weekend last January.

Avid snowboarder and UMD sophomore Kaisha Sims frequents Spirit Mountain often.

"There has been just piles of snow this year, but sadly

no snow day like last year," Sims said.

It's not too late to take advantage of this winter's plentiful snowfall, nice weather and hit the slopes, especially with Spring Break coming up.

On Saturday, March 19, Spirit Mountain will be holding a Spring Break Luau, which will consist of a Hawaiian costume contest, obstacle courses, "surfing" on skis and boards, a Plastic Sled Race, food and

a lot of other activities. For more information, visit www.spiritmt.com.

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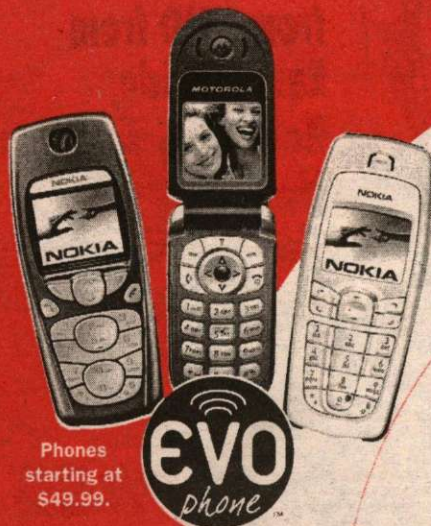
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Top five movies of the '90s, Part Deux

Keep sending in your top picks and see them in a future issue

By MIKE DUBEROWSKI
STAFF REPORTER

"Where's 'Braveheart?'" How could you forget "The Shawshank Redemption?" These are some of the questions asked by the many e-mails I received and Internet postings on www.umdstudents.com this past week.

Several other great movies of the '90s were also mentioned and it became obvious that I could not limit a decade of great cinema to five standout films.

How can I leave out "Braveheart?" I really can't, so this week I give the film its long-awaited due, along with four other great films from the '90s that missed last week's top five cut.

1. Schindler's List (1993, Steven Spielberg)

2. Pulp Fiction (1994; Quentin Tarantino)

3. Forrest Gump (1994; Robert Zemeckis)

4. Goodfellas (1990; Martin Scorsese)

5. Fargo (1996; Joel Coen)

6. American Beauty (1999; Sam Mendes)

"I rule!" proclaims Lester Burnham (Kevin Spacey), the 40-something, pot-smoking star of "American Beauty" who just lost his job and is in love with his teenage daughter's

best friend. As bizarre as that sounds, Lester Burnham is right. He does rule. In fact, everyone in Sam Mendes' superbly original dark comedy rules.

Mendes, who was previously a theater director, enhances "Beauty's" award-winning screenplay with beautiful cinematography and an unforgettable musical score. Top-notch performances from Spacey, Annette Bening, Thora Birch, Wes Bentley and Chris Cooper also contribute to Mendes' film, making it a true "American Beauty."

7. Saving Private Ryan (1998; Steven Spielberg)

Since the early days of filmmaking, directors have

tried to capture the chaos and honor of war, but no movie has ever come as close as Steven Spielberg's powerfully accurate World War II drama, "Saving Private Ryan."

Not only does the film capture the look and sound of war, but it captures the various feelings and personalities of the soldiers who fought in it.

Captain Miller (Tom Hanks) is a brave and smart leader; Private Jackson (Barry Pepper) is a sharpshooter who places his trust in God; Corporal Upham (Jeremy Davies) is a fearful rookie who lacks the guts necessary for war. They're all trying to save Private Ryan (Matt Damon), a single life that represents their own.

8. Braveheart (1995; Mel Gibson)

Epic battle dramas have been around forever, but Mel Gibson's adrenaline-pumping biography of William Wallace felt refreshingly new in 1995. Thanks to its combination of uplifting battle speeches, realistic battle scenes, occasional humor and heartbreaking romance, "Braveheart" is still able to entertain us 10 years after its release; a rare achievement for a three-hour film.

9. Life Is Beautiful (1998; Roberto Benigni)

"We won!" cries Giosué, the child star of "Life Is Beautiful," after reuniting with his mother in Roberto Benigni's heartbreaking Holocaust drama. Benigni, who earned comparisons to Charlie Chaplin, won an Oscar for his touching portrayal of a Jewish father who protects his son by turning the Holocaust into a game in this winning tearjerker.

10. Magnolia (1999; Paul Thomas Anderson)

Most films that combine frogs, simultaneous singing and deathbed scenes resemble a "Muppets" movie gone horribly wrong. It's a combination that most directors would never think about mixing, but Paul Thomas Anderson certainly isn't like "most directors." "Magnolia" tells the story of nine Los Angeles residents who are searching for love, peace, acceptance and forgiveness as their lives interact within a 24-hour period.

Honorable Mentions:

Even limiting a decade of cinema to 10 honorable films is a difficult and ever-changing task. How could I leave off Gus Van Sant's inspiring "Good Will Hunting?" What about Jonathan Demme's chilling "The Silence of the Lambs?"

How can I compare "Beauty and the Beast" and "Toy Story," two of the finest animated films of all-time, to live-action films? And there simply was no room for Frank Darabont's instant classic "The Shawshank Redemption" or Clint Eastwood's revitalization of the western, "Unforgiven."

Keep sending in your picks for the best movies of the '90s to dube0019@d.umn.edu and posting them at www.umdstudents.com. We hope to publish your lists in a future issue!

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Papa Roach 'infests' sold-out crowd

By LIBBY HARRIS
STAFF REPORTER

The NorShor Theater welcomed Papa Roach, an alternative-metal group known for their mosh-pit anthem "Last Resort," to their venue on Friday, March 11. Performing in front of a sold-out crowd, along with The F'Ups and Skindred, Papa Roach wowed the crowd with their unique mixture of punk/rap-rock/alt-metal sounds. The show benefited from the intimate setting and its all-age audience.

Before taking the stage, Papa Roach's guitarist, Jerry Horton, sat down for an interview. Horton talked about the music, his band's future and the band's struggle to get back to the top and life on the road.

Statesman: What is it like to be with the same group of people for over a decade and continue to record and tour with them?

Jerry Horton: I think it's better that way. We know each other so well...We're just growing together and pushing each other at the same time.

S: How has your sound changed since Papa Roach has been together?

JH: It's changed drastically since we've started. That's been kind of the whole philosophy of our band—that we should change and evolve. We started doing punk, then moved on into more wacky crazy stuff and then into rap rock. Finally, into straight-ahead rock.

S: So it's a conscious decision, not just something that happens along the way?

JH: Well, our attention spans are pretty short when it comes to music. We're just trying to change it up. It's good for everyone. If we do the same thing over again, people get pretty tired of it.

S: How did the band change after the album *Infest* that was so huge? Especially with "Last Resort" being played everywhere. How does that affect a band?

JH: It was really a wild ride. We didn't have any time to adjust or any idea of what to do in that situation. Then when everything died down, we had the chance to step down and go "Wow! Some crazy s--t went down!" There were a lot of parties, a lot of your standard debauchery. With the last record, it kind of slowed down. It was a sobering experience. To go from doing everything all the time, to doing nothing. It made us realize that it doesn't happen all the time...

S: How did you approach the record following *Infest*, [*lovehatetragedy*]? Was there a lot of pressure to do well?



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Papa Roach performs their unique music to a sold-out crowd at the NorShor Theater.

JH: Well, we didn't feel any added pressure after *Infest*. We had good feeling about it [*lovehatetragedy*] when we finished it. I think there were a lot of factors involved in the non-commercial success of that record. Looking back on it, I don't think we would have done anything differently. Making that record put us in the position to make the kind of record we just made.

S: Do you write music for yourself or your fans?

JH: For ourselves, but if we do it solely for ourselves, it may go over people's heads. I think that's the reason our second album didn't do as well...it was pretty self-indulgent.

S: About the latest album, *Getting Away With Murder*, I've read a lot of the reviews and it seems like both fans and critics alike are freaking out about the record. They say it's not your sound. How do you deal with that criticism?

JH: We take a lot of risk, stylistically and sonically. We had an idea about what we wanted to do on this record. We recorded a lot of songs and picked the best for the record. It's just one of those risks you take when you go out on a limb. We've gotten a pretty good response. We always hope that our fans will grow with us but we do want to shock them a little bit.

S: One critic said, "the album is still as loud and abrasive as the prior ones but demonstrates what the band has previously downplayed—melody and vulnerability".

JH: I don't think we downplayed melody before, but we really brought it out in this album. I think the song they're referring to is "Scars." We were kinda wary of it at first, but it ended up as a really good song and we couldn't deny it. There

was so much emotion in it, you can feel it when you hear the song. And that's a cornerstone in Jacobi's [Roach's lead singer and lyricist] lyrics.

S: How was working with Howard Benson [the producer]?

JH: He has a different style. He's very scientific and methodical. The main reason we picked Howard is he focused a lot on the lyrics and he really

brought good things out of Jacobi and the music.

S: I heard you went to Korea recently to perform for the armed forces. How was that experience?

JH: It was a little strange... South Korea was really weird but it was a good, good experience for us. We're not in full support of the administration, but we support the troops and we realize that they're out there for us. We know what it's like to be gone and away from home for a long time. We wanted to give them a taste from home and everybody appreciated it. The shows were really good.

S: What is the tour experience like?

JH: It's a lot of work but a lot of fun work. The hardest part is being away from home, but I try to have my wife out every two or three weeks. Playing for crowds every night, just going nuts, it is an adrenaline rush. I can't even describe it. Between the bands and the crew, there's a strong comradery.

S: So the tour's been good so far?

JH: Yeah, we've had a lot of sell-outs. Going to the small towns was a wise choice mostly because they don't get a lot of music all the time. In big cit-

ies, you can get jaded...

S: What are your plans after the tour?

JH: More tour! We are working on a new record right now. We get done with this tour in April and in June, and we leave for Europe for a month. We come back and do Australia and Japan and back to Europe for some festivals. Depending on how well the album does, we may tour for another month. We're not going to take as much time off as the last one.

S: What is it like performing in different countries?

JH: We have noticed a lot of things that are different, but a lot of it is the same. Little things that are different...like in Japan, they'll go crazy when you're playing, but at the end of the song they'll clap for a second and be completely silent. The Mexicans are rowdy, crazy all the time. Everybody goes nuts except for Holland, Scandinavia and Pacific Northwest like Seattle.

S: What is the future of Papa Roach?

JH: We're just going to keep making music for as long as we can. Just keep doing it.

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Monday, 3.21.05

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Nancy Gruver

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Wednesday, 3.30.05

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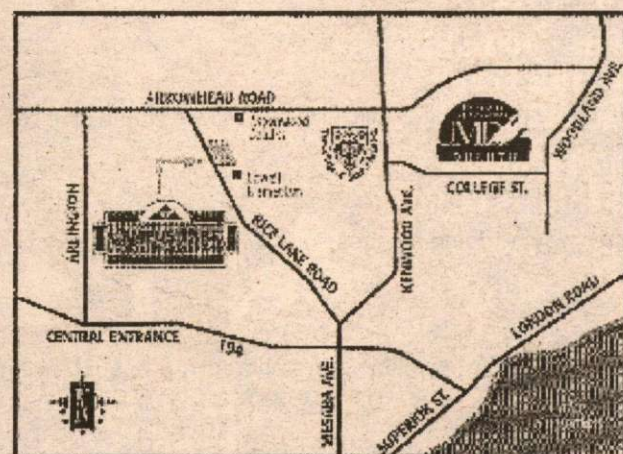
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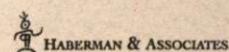
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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Tourney comes to an end for UMD

Bulldogs are eliminated from the NCC Region Tournament

By STEVE DOMBECK
STAFF REPORTER

The University of Minnesota Duluth women's basketball team ended their season last

weekend after a 67-59 loss to St. Cloud State in the second round of the North Central Region Tournament. The Bulldogs advanced to



STATESMAN FILE PHOTO

The Bulldogs finished the season with a 20-9 record overall. This was the sixth straight season in which the Bulldogs finished with 20 or more victories.

Saturday's second round game by defeating No. 3 Regis University 73-60 Friday afternoon. Forward Lindsey Dietz scored 25 points on 11-16 shooting and Tanysha Scott added 19 of her own.

"We played well," said head coach Karen Stromme, commenting on Friday's first-round victory over Regis. "I think our kids played to win. They made big plays when we needed them to."

The six place Bulldogs stayed close to the Rangers in the first half and only trailed 26-29 at halftime. The Rangers allowed the Bulldogs to get back into the game with 18 turnovers.

Scott came to the aid of the Bulldogs and scored all 19 of her points in the Bulldogs' 47-point second half, to earn UMD the spot against the region's No. 7 St. Cloud State Huskies. The Huskies upset the No. 2 Minnesota State Moorhead in the first round.

The Bulldogs beat the Huskies both times the teams met during the regular season.

"We had two great games against them and we felt confident going in and winning the game," she said. Saturday's contest against

the Huskies started out a bit rough for the Bulldogs. UMD failed to score a single point in the first seven minutes of the game and the Huskies took advantage with an 8-0 lead. Both teams shot just above 20 percent to end the first half and headed into halftime with 22 points apiece.

"It has been plaguing us for a long time," said Stromme, referring to the Bulldogs' shooting woes. "If a few shots went down for us, it's a whole different game."

The Bulldogs fell behind early in the second half after second- and third-leading scorers Justine Axtell and Katie Winkelman sat on the bench with foul trouble. The Huskies again took advantage of the Bulldog's foul trouble, and St. Cloud enjoyed a 10-point lead with 13 minutes remaining.

Officials called five fouls in a row on the Bulldogs and Stromme made her displeasure very clear to the officials.

"It was indicative on how the game went," said Stromme commenting on the 9-2 foul advantage the Huskies had over the Bulldogs.

The Bulldogs stormed back after capitalizing on the Huskies' turnovers to pull

within five (52-57) with just under two minutes remaining. From there, the Bulldogs had to foul, but the Huskies went 10-10 from the line and came out with an eight-point victory.

"They made their free throws and we missed our shots," said Stromme. "They did everything they needed to do to win the game. That is what tournament time is all about."

The Bulldogs were out-rebounded 50-44 in the game and shot only five for 20 from three-point range. However, the Bulldogs did control the paint as they outscored the Huskies 30-16 inside.

"Our kids battled and put themselves in position to win a conference title," said Stromme. "We played a great schedule and won big games. We had a great team and a really good year."

The Bulldogs finished the season with a 20-9 record overall. This was the sixth straight season in which the Bulldogs finished with 20 or more victories.

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MEN'S HOCKEY

Frozen Four repeat for Bulldogs not to be

By MATTHEW SAUTER
STAFF REPORTER

The UMD men's hockey season came to a quick end this weekend as the University of North Dakota Fighting Sioux stormed past the Bulldogs in round one of the Western Collegiate Hockey Association Tournament.

After a tough season with a record of 15-15-4, the sixth place Bulldogs traveled to Grand Forks, N.D. to battle the fifth place Fighting Sioux, where they lost on Friday night 8-2 and then again on Saturday 6-1.

Though the season ended in a disappointing fashion, UMD had been 5-0-1 in its last six games and had a better record on the road than it did at home. Unfortunately, UND had the type of game that the Bulldogs knew was coming, but seemed unprepared for.

"It wasn't a shock they came out hard," said junior Tim Stapleton. "It was shocking that we made so many of our own mistakes."

"We started okay," added senior Evan Schwabe. "That

first goal was a back breaker, they turned it up and we went the other way."

It took the Sioux only 16 minutes in the opening period of Friday's game to score as many as the Bulldogs would all weekend. UND finished the series outscoring UMD 14-3. Friday night's 8-2 loss was UMD's biggest blowout in over four years.

"After the first period we came down mentally," said Stapleton. "We made too many mistakes, mistakes we have been making all year."

UMD would eventually get on the board, but only after UND compiled a 5-0 lead.

Stapleton scored on the power play for the Bulldogs, but the Sioux would answer with three more goals before Matt McKnight would slip one more past UND goalie Jordan Parise.

Stapleton was the only spark UMD saw all weekend. He had a hand in all three goals scored for UMD, he finished the weekend with two goals and was credited with an assist on the third.

Isaac Reichmuth started in

the net both nights but lasted only one period Friday night and two periods Saturday. Friday, Reichmuth allowed four goals on 14 shots; Josh Johnson replaced him and allowed four goals on 16 shots during the last two periods.

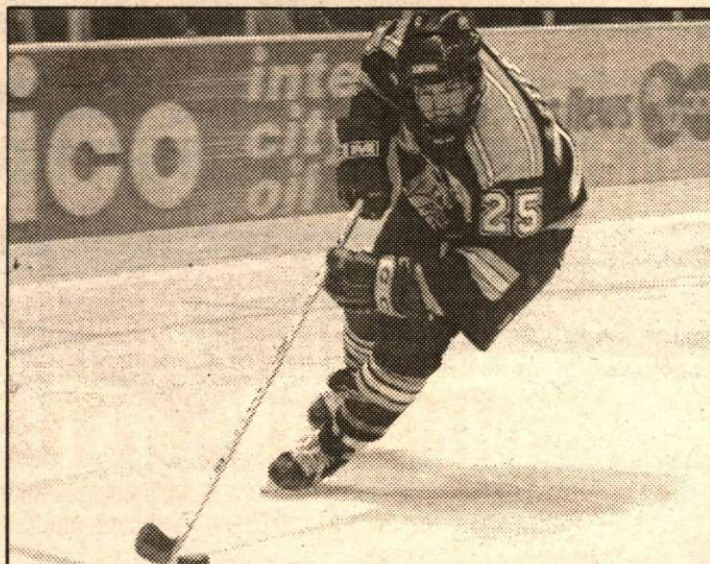
"After Friday night's game nobody said much," said Stapleton. "We were ready but

they out-competed and outplayed us."

"After you get beat 8-2 you have to shake it off," added Schwabe. "We played pretty well in the first period Saturday but again they scored and it was a snowball."

Saturday's match started on a positive note, Stapleton

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In the final games of the regular season UMD was 4-0-1 and powered past No. 4 Wisconsin with a tie and win. Their momentum did not carry into the tournament.

Ouellette one of finalists for Patty Kazmaier award

For the third year in a row, women's hockey captain Caroline Ouellette was named one of the top three finalists for the Patty Kazmaier award.

Ouellette was nominated the last two seasons, but has yet to win the award yet.

UMD-bulldogs.com reported that Ouellette is only one of four players nationwide to reach the 70-point mark in the 2004-05 season.

The winner of the award will be announced Saturday March 26 during the NCAA Frozen Four in Portsmouth, N.H.



Senior Captain
Caroline Ouellette



The Bulldog Rundown

Off-season sports in full swing



By BRIAN POLSKI
STAFF REPORTER

Volleyball: While the women's volleyball team enjoyed one of most successful seasons in Bulldog history, the team continues to work hard to maintain last year's success.

All of the girls have been working out since January, doing such things as running and light lifting every other day.

A few days a week the girls work in the gym to keep their volleyball skills sharp.

Strength and conditioning coach **Justin May** has been working with the girls every other day to help them stay in shape during the off-season.

Football: The Bulldog football team has been working extensively in the weight room four days a week, along with two days of exercise drills which include such things as sprinting and agility ladder workouts.

Starting April 4, the team will be working outside on passing, tackling and catching. They will work for two hours, four days a week and will scrimmage within the team practices.

During the summer, around 75 players will stay in Duluth and work on the summer strength program which is similar to the workouts they are doing now. The coaching staff is happy with the recruits

that will be joining the Bulldogs next fall.

"We try to fill every position every year," said assistant head coach **Nate Gibbs**. "We might have filled in a little more defensive line this year, but we try to get a few new guys in each position."

Their first game is August 27, against Chadron State College.

Soccer: The UMD women's soccer team is already at work. The girls are training four days a week for an hour and a half, running and working on ball handling skills.

The girls also lift four days a week, one hour a day, to get in

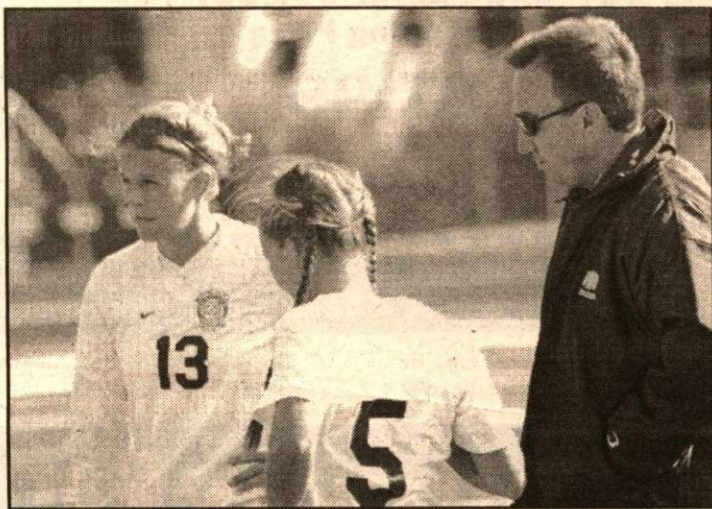
peak condition for the upcoming season.

After spring break the women will start spring practices a few days a week.

"As soon as the weather starts to get nice we will be outside getting ready for the season," said assistant coach **Kelly Grgas-Wheeler**. "Almost all of the recruiting is done, a few athletes officially signed with few more potentially coming."

According to Grgas-Wheeler, the keys to next year's success will be the time that the girls put into the off-season.

"The girls have to invest in the off-season if they want to be ready for the games this fall."



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Forward **Elisa Cottingham** and midfielder **Abby Metz** were two of the five student-athletes selected for the Academic All-NCC Soccer Team in the 2004 season.

Cross Country: Many runners are putting in the outdoor miles now to get in shape for training camp in August. Most of the cross country runners are currently participating in track, and will take a four to five week recycling period in the summer to rest.

"I usually try to send the summer training plans out at the end of June," said head coach **John Fulkrod**.

The men and women's varsity teams will run hundreds of miles before the first meet on Sept. 10. Several great prospects are considering running for the Bulldogs next season, according to Fulkrod.

"I am quite pleased with both the academic and athletic credentials of the potential incoming class," said Fulkrod.

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opened the scoring with a breakaway goal, but UND easily erased that lead, scoring six unanswered goals in the following period.

Reichmuth would stay in net for two periods in this contest allowing four goals, all in the second period. Johnson finished the game but all hope was extinguished as the Sioux kept adding to the lead.

Though the numbers will say the goalies were the deciding factor, Schwabe admits the defense wasn't there.

"This whole weekend was a mental block," he said. "We were making really dumb mistakes, allowing two-on-ones, even some breakaways."

The Bulldogs have now

tasted near championship level, and a first round exit from the WCHA playoffs.

"It is difficult to swallow," agreed Schwabe. "A lot of guys forgot how hard we worked last year to put these expectations on us. My first year here we were horrible, but we worked hard and improved, we just didn't all pull together."

UMD was not unlike the rest of the league as every top seed won their series in two games. Denver will head into the final five with a buy set to face the winner of the UND-Wisconsin game.

Stapleton, Marco Peluso (who was credited with an assist this weekend), and Schwabe (held to one point the last two weekends) are now tied for the team leading goal scorers.

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The Viking post season update

Team continues to fumble in the off-season

By PETE CARPENTER • STAFF WRITER

If there was one word I would use to describe the Minnesota Vikings' wheeling and dealing this off-season, it would be pathetic. Well, I shouldn't go that far, but their ridiculous behavior was like a personal sucker punch to me. I am a hardcore Minnesota sports fan, especially the Vikings. So when the Vikes embarrass me and my home state with their manifest idiocy, my cage gets a little rattled. Clichés aside, the following is why I have a problem with the Vikings' off-season contempt for us Minnesotan die-hards.

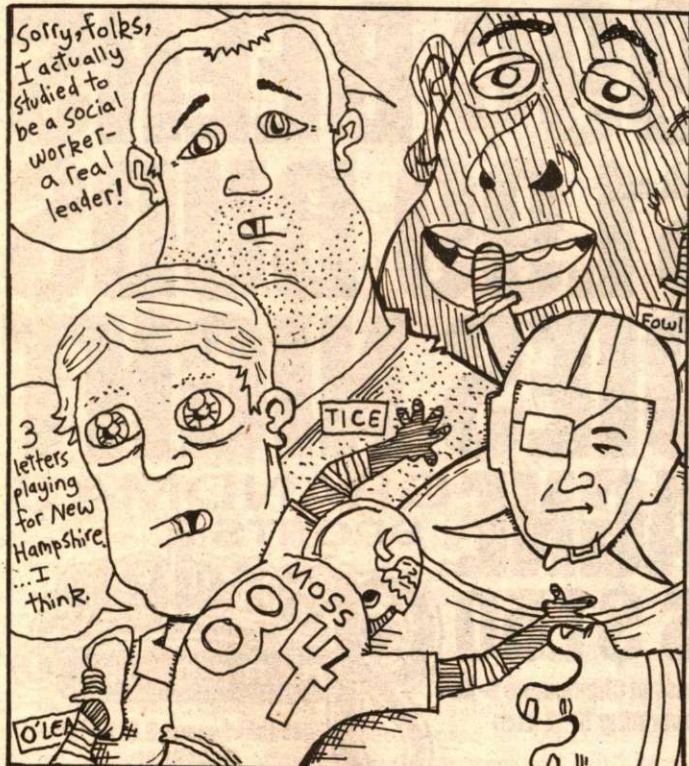
Toot! Toot! Here comes the clue train! Next stop is Minnesota. I don't care who you are, but the Minnesota Vikings made what is by far the worst trade in NFL history, and maybe even all of sports. What the hell were they thinking when they traded the best player on their team, and in the NFL, Randy Moss, for a first round pick and some bum from Oakland? He was a problem on the team? So was Lawrence Taylor; and even with his crack addiction the New York Giants wouldn't give him up. I thought it was a joke when I first heard it. Look at Moss' numbers: The man has played seven seasons and he has amassed over 9,000 yards receiving and 90 touchdowns already in his short career. He is 28 years young and is in his prime, yet he is a seasoned veteran who puts up unmatched numbers. Randy Moss is a gem, a rare find. Write this down: We will never see another talent like Randy Moss at the receiver position in the NFL as long as we are alive. Get a clue, Minnesota Vikings.

Another bright idea was selling the Minnesota Vikings to Arizona businessman Reggie Fowler. Fowler is offering a cool 625 million bones for the team, pending a league vote. According to various fact sheets and every sports magazine in America, Reggie Fowler (if that is his real name), lies more than a rug. Fowler claims he played for the Cincinnati Bengals and a Canadian Football League team; he claims he played in the Little League World Series; and he claims he has a Business and Finance degree from the University of Wyoming. All of these claims are false. In actuality, he never made the rosters of any football team, he played in a little league all-star game and his degree is in Social Work. With all this controversy clouding Fowler and this pending transaction, I can think only one thing: Who lies about little league baseball?

This just in: Vikings coach Mike Tice accused of scalping Super Bowl tickets. According to *Sports Illustrated*, after hearing the accusations and the pending league investigation, Tice said "I'm confident when the league finishes looking at this, everything will come out fine." Turns out, Tice admitted to scalping the tickets to an "old friend." Good old two-faced Tice. He is supposed to be a "player's coach?" Nice example setting, Tice. I say we scalp him to another team. How about it, Vikes?

The Vikings aren't all that bad, though. They have signed a few damn good free agents in Fred Smoot, a shutdown corner and Darren Sharper, one of the best safeties in the league. Also, Steelers' standout wide receiver Plaxico Burress is showing an in-

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March Madness, where 65 teams fight for it all

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Sixty-four games in 21 days to go from 65 teams to one. How the brackets break down for the NCAA tournament:

CHICAGO REGIONAL

Illinois was rewarded like no other No. 1 seed, with short bus rides to Indianapolis and Chicago; setting up one more to St. Louis for the Final Four.

The Illini show up with the gaudiest record and one nagging question: is the front court good enough for a championship run? The Illini still rely on the three-guard rotation of Deron Williams (12.2 points per game), Luther Head (15.8) and Dee Brown (13.4).

Oklahoma State has played a more up-tempo style since 6-foot-3 freshman Jameson Curry was inserted into the starting lineup alongside playmaker John Lucas III.

Second-round upset: Brandon Bass and the LSU Tigers keep the late-season success going with a win over Arizona.

Regional champ: The matchup of the Illinois guards with Curry and Lucas will draw the headlines, but the key in this match-up is the Illini frontcourt.

ALBUQUERQUE REGIONAL

Washington was the surprise of the No. 1 seeds, but the Huskies had enough to earn it following a win over Arizona in the Pac-10 tournament championship game.

Gonzaga had some impressive wins early; Washington, Georgia Tech and Oklahoma State, and plenty late.

Louisville was the one team

with a legitimate complaint about its seeding as the double champion of Conference USA finished fourth in the final poll.

Second-round upset: Pittsburgh doesn't do anything great except play a very physical style. The Panthers out-rebound their opponents 38-29 and senior forward Chevon Troutman (15.1 points, 8.0 rebounds) is one of the most underrated players in the country.

Third round: Louisville and its nearly 10 three-pointers per game beat Pittsburgh. Gonzaga beats Wake Forest in a high-scoring shootout.

Regional champion: at The shot clock operator can take the night off as Gonzaga shakes the mid-major label with an up-and-down win over Louisville.

SYRACUSE REGIONAL

North Carolina is one of the deepest teams in the field. The Tar Heels have five players averaging between 16.5 and 11.2 points per game.

Connecticut entered the Big East tournament as one of the hottest teams in the country, but the Huskies looked their worst in a win over Georgetown and a loss to Syracuse in the semifinals.

Second-round upset: A 12th-seeded team has advanced to the Sweet Sixteen for four straight years and New Mexico makes it five.

Third round: North Carolina ends New Mexico's run and Connecticut beats Kansas.

Regional champ: Connecticut avenges a 77-70 loss to North Carolina last month

and earns a trip to St. Louis to defend its national championship.

AUSTIN REGIONAL

If only starters played in the NCAA tournament, Duke would be a big favorite, but the Blue Devils have been playing with a short rotation. Three players; J.J. Redick (22.8), Shelden Williams (15.6) and Daniel Ewing (15.1), have logged over 1,000 minutes.

Kentucky won the SEC regular season title and reached the tournament title game with defense. But the Wildcats are suspect inside and their perimeter game is streaky at best.

Syracuse won the Big East tournament for the first time since 1992, and it was because of Hakim Warrick (21.4 points, 8.5 rebounds) and the Orange's 2-3 zone defense that forces teams into uncomfortable shots.

Second-round upset: Utah's 7-foot Andrew Bogut (20.7 points, 12.3 rebounds) has become a national figure with his inside-outside game, it's inside where he causes problems for Oklahoma.

Third round: Syracuse's zone stops everybody on Duke except Redick, and the Orange prevail by causing foul problems for the Blue Devils. Kentucky comes up with the defensive effort to handle Bogut in a low-scoring win.

Regional champ: Syracuse's zone really gives Kentucky's shooters a headache and the Orange get back to the Final Four after winning it all in 2003.

FINAL FOUR

Connecticut and Syracuse

make it seven straight years that one conference has had two teams in the national semifinals. Since they're on the same side of the bracket, only Connecticut moves on, beating the Orange for the third time in four meetings.

Gonzaga's Turiaf and Morrison are able to score on Illinois, and the Bulldogs prevail in a high-scoring game.

The championship game

will be bi-coastal battle between a team from a conference used to having only one team in the tournament against one from a league usually a lock for six bids.

Gonzaga finds a way and keeps Connecticut from becoming the first repeat champion since Duke in 1992.

VIKINGS: Goodbye Mr. McCombs

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terest in the Vikings again.

A hurricane by the name of Red McCombs came through the Vikings organization and left it in shambles this off-season, making one gigantic mistake after another.

Trading "problem-child" Randy Moss was insane, sell-

ing the team to an evident liar was utter foolishness and deciding not to fire the big oaf coach of the team, who has done nothing for the Vikings in his rather poor tenure, finally put me over the edge. Although my respect for Minnesota sports is still largely emphatic, the Vikings have a large mess to clean up before I can be excited about their 2005 season.

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Ex-Viking Randy Moss leaves Minnesota with many records and many scorned fans. AP PHOTO

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Unique wild game served up in style

By KENT PAULSEN
STAFF WRITER

Living in the upper Midwest, most of us have eaten wild game before, from venison to fresh walleye. But how many people can say that they have eaten antelope, wild boar, bison, oxtail, elk and rattlesnake -- all in one sitting?

At the first annual Wild Game and Brewers Fest at Grand Superior Lodge this past Saturday, fellow UMD *Statesman* reporter Brian Porter and I had the opportunity to try all of these unique and delicious foods and more.

I must admit that I was a bit skeptical when the Wild Boar Lollipops were mentioned, but I can honestly say that this recent game feed was one of the best meals I have ever had in my life.

The Wild Game and Brewers Fest is the creation of Grand Superior Lodge Executive Chef, Tom Linderholm. Teaming up with South Shore Brewery, which is located in Ashland, Wis., Linderholm's fest offered six styles of beer and well over 20 creative dishes to choose from, including a baked potato bar with all the trimmings.

The banquet had something for everyone along the buffet-

line, from appetizers such as the very popular curried venison wontons to a salad bar featuring salads including either smoked salmon or Bison strips.

My favorites were the venison tenderloin pinwheels or the rabbit and fennel fettuccini. Throw in a nut brown ale from South Shore Brewery and you have yourself one fine meal -- and finish it off with one of Linderholm's favorite cakes and tortes.

Grand Superior Lodge is located just north of Two Harbors in the small town of Castle Danger, right along the shore of Lake Superior and is about a 35-minute drive from Duluth. The Lodge has cabins, a bar, a great restaurant and even a pool available for its customers. Linderholm is in the process of setting up fly-tying and fly-casting clinics at the lodge this spring or summer.

If you feel the need to get out of Duluth for a night or even a weekend you can find more info at www.grandsuperior.com.

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AP PHOTO

Inner-city deer hunt?

According to a March 11 *Duluth News Tribune* story, bowhunters could begin to take deer in certain areas within Duluth starting this fall. The *Tribune* reported that if the task force's plan is adopted, hunting would be limited to specific areas within Duluth, including inside Lester Park, lower Spirit Mountain, the Coffee Creek area, and near Amity Park.

Hunters would be required to pass a proficiency test before being issued a permit and would have to stay a safe distance away from trails, homes and other buildings. The task force's plan will likely come to a final city council vote on April 25. Watch the *Statesman* for further updates on this story.

Feral felines may become fair game

By BRIAN PORTER
STAFF WRITER

By requesting that the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources reclassify feral (stray or wild) cats as an unprotected species and thereby open hunting for these animals to anyone possessing a small game license, LaCrosse firefighter Mark Smith has sparked a debate that is sure to rub a few animal activists the wrong way.

In justifying his request, Smith points to the fact that stray cats are detrimental to small mammals and songbirds. Studies aimed at quantifying these negative effects of feral cats have resulted in fairly contradictory findings, which has led to intense criticism by animal rights enthusiasts.

If his request is granted, free roaming cats will be placed in the same category

as the opossum, the skunk and the weasel, whose harvest is restricted by neither seasons nor limits.

Not surprisingly, controversy surrounding this issue is intensifying, and it suddenly seems that a number of groups and organizations have a genuine concern for these unfettered felines.

The Humane Society of the United States (an animal-rights organization) has joined in the catfight as well, and one can only expect that the ever-caring People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals are not far behind. Issues like this are the cat's meow to organizations that exist for the sole purpose of disagreement and protest.

The Wisconsin State Journal reported that "Smith's proposal was approved last year by the La Crosse County branch of the Conservation Congress on a vote of 53-1, according to Al Phelan, liaison between the state

Department of Natural Resources and the Conservation Congress. The Conservation Congress, a five-member elected body whose duty is to advise the DNR and Legislature on natural resources issues, decided to put the issue before the public at the spring hearings."

April 11 is the scheduled date of the Wisconsin DNR's Conservation Congress Spring Hearings that will attempt to gauge public opinions regarding numerous conservation issues such as deer management efforts and season extensions. Conservation Congress Advisory Question number 62 reads:

"Studies have been done in Wisconsin concerning effects of free roaming feral domestic cats. These studies showed free roaming feral domestic cats killed millions of small mammals, song and game birds. Estimates range from a minimum of 47 million up to 139

million songbirds are killed each year. Free roaming feral domestic cats are not a native species in Wisconsin. The above mentioned cats do however kill native species therefore reducing native species.

"At present free roaming feral domestic cats are not defined as a protected or unprotected species. Thus Wisconsin should move to define free roaming feral domestic cats, as any domestic type cat which is not under the owner's direct control, or whose owner has not placed a collar on such cat showing it to be their property. All such defined free roaming feral domestic cats shall be listed as an unprotected species. In so doing Wisconsin would be defining and listing free roaming feral domestic cats.

"Do you favor the DNR take steps to define free roaming feral domestic cats by the previously mentioned definition

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CATS: T.N.R. them, or just shoot them?

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and list free roaming domestic feral cats as an unprotected species?"

Even if the proposal is passed by vote at this spring's hearing, it will only become part of a recommendation to state lawmakers.

The extreme amount of public interest in this subject has sparked the creation of www.dontshootthecat.com, a Web site dedicated to fighting the proposal. Adam Bauknecht, one of the site's creators, told Michael Conlon of Reuters News Agency that the site received over 35,000 hits and 800 e-mails in its first three days of existence.

Both sides of this issue seem to agree that feral cats pose a problem, but those opposing the reclassification claim to have found a better solution. The FAQ section of the Web site mentioned above proposes the novel idea of a "Trap Neuter and Release" (T.N.R.)

program. By capturing cats and then releasing them after sterilization, these "experts" believe that the animals will maintain their territory, and eventually die off without leaving offspring to carry on in their place.

While a novel idea, the sheer cost of live-trapping cats, transporting them to a veterinary facility, neutering them and transporting them back is no doubt astronomical. To put it in perspective, consider that a box of 500 .22 caliber rifle rounds can be purchased for around \$10, and could lead to the simple removal of hundreds of nuisance cats.

We can only wait to see what fate holds in store for the feral felines of Wisconsin, although it seems highly unlikely that hunters will be taking to the field in any great numbers with hopes of harvesting these varmints, even if the proposal is passed. Just as it is not often that hunters head to the field to hunt skunks and weasels, they probably won't be gearing up each spring for a statewide cat-hunt.

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Minnesota fishing report

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Just in case you're going to use spring break to get in one last ice fishing trip before the thaw, here's a rundown of what's working on a few of the big Minnesota hotspots.

DULUTH AREA

Look for a few bigger perch off Fish Lake in eight to 10 feet of water. Minnows worked tight to the bottom are producing better numbers of fish. There's some sporadic crappie action being reported on Caribou Lake late in the day and after dark in 14 feet of water. The ice blew out along the north shore so open water fishing is again an option on Lake Superior. Kamloops action has been very good with Looper bugs, waxworms, crawlers, and spawn bags producing the majority of fish.

LAKE MILLE LACS

East -- Perch action has been slow over the past week, although there hasn't been as many people fishing. The best bet is still the Blue Jug Flat in 32 to 36 feet of water with small jigging spoons. Crappie anglers are seeing fish on their electronics suspended in Isle Bay. Most of them are in nine feet of water, but the bite has yet to turn on.

West -- Jigging spoons are still the best option for jumbo perch. Drill a lot of holes and move around the Seven Mile Flat, Sherman's Flat, and Seguchie's Flat in at least 32 feet of water. While limits are the exception, there are days that do provide enough big perch to keep anglers interested.

LAKE OF THE WOODS

The majority of walleyes seem to be moving back toward shore and their numbers are increasing. Near Pine Island, there's plenty of eating-sized fish to be had in 23 to 32 feet of water. Small, light tackle presentations are turning the majority of bigger fish just before dark. Northern pike action also has improved along the south shore in 16 to 18 feet of water. At the Northwest Angle/Islands area, walleye action remains strong in 24 to 26 feet of water. Snowmobilers with portables are catching nice perch on the reefs and breaks near Garden Island and Little Oak Island. Rattle spoons tipped with a minnow head have produced bigger fish. The Rainy River is open near Loman and working its way toward Franz Jevne.

RED LAKE

The crappie bite was a bit more consistent over the weekend. Not everyone caught limits, but most took fish home. Red glow jigs and small shiner minnows are working best in 14 feet of water. The best bite is taking place as the sun goes down and continues well after dark. It seems as though the later you stay the better the bite gets.

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Are you looking for summer employment that is exciting, challenging and a great learning experience? The Upward Bound Program of the Northeast Higher Education District (Itasca and Hibbing Community Colleges) is seeking college students interested in working as a **Residential Advisor** on the Hibbing Community College campus in Hibbing, MN. This position will work with Upward Bound students between the ages of 14-17 years from June 5-July 15, 2005. All inquiries contact K.C. Neustrom, Upward Bound Program, Itasca Community College, 1851 East Hwy. 169, Grand Rapids, MN. 55744; 218-327-4257; kneustrom@itascacc.edu; or for an application visit Upward Bound's Web site at: www.upwardboundicc.org. Application deadline is April 15, 2005.

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Volunteer Income Tax Assistance

You can get help preparing your 2004 tax returns from the UMD Department of Accounting's VITA program.

VITA is the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program developed by the IRS. Trained UMD accounting and business students will help low-income taxpayers complete their federal and state returns.

Taxpayers should bring a copy of their 2003 tax return, 2004 tax forms package, all 2003 income and deduction information and copies of their Certificate of Rent Paid (CRP) or their 2004 property tax statement to one of the following locations: UMD Kirby Student Center: Wednesdays 2-8 p.m. and Saturdays 1-4 p.m.

Duluth Public Library Saturdays 10 a.m.-4 p.m. (Second Floor), Mondays 2 p.m.-8 p.m. and Tuesdays 5 p.m.-8 p.m.

For more VITA information, call the UMD Department of Accounting at 726-7966.

iFILMS 2005

iFILMS 2005: Independent and international films at the Duluth Public Library is a free film series sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Saturday, March 26, 1:30 p.m., Main Library Green Room - "Wolves in the Snow."

From Canada, in French with English subtitles.

International Brown Bag

"War and Peace in Bosnia" will be presented by Tim French, UMD student majoring in history, today at noon in Griggs Center.

On Thursday, March 31, "Preserving Afghan Music and Culture in Exile in Fremont, Calif." will be presented by Sara-Beth Lawrence, UMD music

major, at noon in Griggs Center.

Biology Seminar

"Invasion of Lake Winnebago, Wis. By the Zebra Mussel, Dreissena Polymorpha: A Story of Toxins, Total Phosphorus and Zooplankton Survival" will be presented by Dr. Bart DeStasio, Lawrence University, Appleton, Wis., Friday, March 18, at 3 p.m. in LSci 185.

Diversity Slogan Contest

A UMD student may win a \$50 gift certificate to UMD Stores!

Create a short slogan about celebrating diversity that will appear on T-shirts and buttons.

Entry deadline is Tuesday, March 29, at 4:30 p.m.

Drop your entry in the box on the front desk in the Multicultural Center, 2nd floor of Kirby Student Center. Make sure your name, e-mail address and phone number are on your entry. Contact Ruth Leathers, KPlz 315B, 6003, leather or Susana, Pelayo-Woodward, KSC 233, 8444, swoodwar.

Exile in Duluth Cinema Club

Watch independent and foreign films in private gatherings. For more information see <http://www.exileinduluth.org> or contact Rory Litwin at 726-7896 or rlitwin@d.umn.edu.

Theatre Dept.

The world premiere of "String," by former UMD student Jessica Lind, will be presented through March 19, at 7:30 p.m. at MPAC.

For years, Raina has been looking for love in all the wrong places, so when not one but two men suddenly shower her with affection, she must choose. Will it be Derek, the future English

professor? Or Ryan, the lawn fertilizer specialist? A romantic comedy set against a backdrop of poetry and pizza.

Quit Smoking

READY TO QUIT? The UMD School of Medicine is looking for people interested in quitting smoking.

Earn money for participation in a research project looking at why stress makes it difficult to quit smoking.

Participants must be healthy individuals between 18-65 years of age. They must be within approximately 30 percent of their ideal body weight and be committed to quitting.

Please call 726-8896 for further screening and information.

Climbing Slide Show

Relax on a crash pad for an hour Monday nights and take in beautiful slides of great climbing areas. Enjoy some beautiful images or plan your next trip! These slide shows are free to all and the atmosphere is casual.

Monday, March 28, 8:30 p.m., UMD Climbing Wall - Duluth Boulderling presented by Greg Petry and Luke Will.

Women's History Month

Today, 4 p.m., KSC 268-Film: "Breasts: A Documentary," directed by Meema Spadola.

Tuesday, March 29, noon, KSC 268 - "Unsung Heroes: Women Who Dared to Resist," by Duluth League of Women Voters.

Wednesday, March 30, noon, KSC 355-357 - Speaker: Susan Morris, professor of political science at UMD, "Women and Globalization."

Thursday, March 31, noon, KSC 355-357 - Speaker: Nancy Gruver, founder and publisher of *New Moon Magazine*. She will be

talking about her new book "How To Say It To Girls."

Art and Design Lecture Series

Wednesday, March 16, 10 a.m., Tweed - Cynthia Freeland (aesthetics, art and film).

Thursday, March 31, noon, Tweed - Sharon Werner (design).

Thursday, March 31, 2 p.m., Tweed - Rita Robillard (printmaking).

Tweed Museum of Art

Student senior shows, with opening receptions Tuesdays at 4 p.m., will be held in the Tweed:

March 15-20: Tanya Schulz, Melinda Boettch and Brittany Thiescher.

March 22-27: Robert Winterfield, Ryan Purdy and Ben Barnett.

CLA Third Friday Lectures

Marty Bock will present "The Power of Suggestion: Joseph Conrad and French Medical Occultism" Friday, March 18, at 3 p.m. in the Library Rotunda.

Journey Jargons

Journey Jargons feature slides and personal experiences or trips taken by University for Seniors (U.S.) members and guests. The Lectures cover a myriad of topics. Journey Jargons and Lectures are free and open to the public.

Monday, March 28, 11:30 a.m., KPlz 311 - "European River Cruise, Amsterdam to Budapest." Join John and Eleanor Collins, and Dick and Mavis Whiteman as they journey down the Rhine, Maine and Danube Rivers.

Math Colloquium

"Breaking Driver's License Codes," will be presented by Joseph Gallian from the UMD

Math Dept. on Thurs., March 17, from 3:30-4:30 p.m. in Solon Campus Center Room 130. Refreshments will be served starting at 3:15 p.m.

Anxious, stressed?

"Strategies For Success" is a new group that meets each Wednesday from 4-5 p.m. in KSC 264 to discuss and support issues related to academic success and better mental health. Totally confidential.

Questions? Contact Paul, Susan or Sam at umdsuccess@yahoo.com.


Faulty/Staff:

Please join Health Services on Thursday, March 17, along with the American Cancer Society, for a discussion on colorectal cancer. Colorectal cancer is the 3rd leading killer of both men and women in the U.S. An estimated 145,290 Americans will be diagnosed with colorectal cancer in 2005 and 56,290 will DIE of the disease. (ACS)

FREE Seminar from 12-12:50 Kirby Plaza 311 on March 17. Learn about colorectal cancer in a comfortable atmosphere. American Cancer Society representative will be there to discuss incidence, screening procedures, treatment options and answer questions that you may have. Please attend this very IMPORTANT seminar.

Relay For Life

Register your team by March 17 to receive a free pizza the night of the relay. Sheets may be turned in at the Relay For Life table outside the Bookstore on Tuesdays or Thursdays outside the Dining Center, March 17, during dinner hours. Bank nights for turning money will be held March 31, April 14 and April 21 in MWAH 191. For more information contact Callie at zwet0004.



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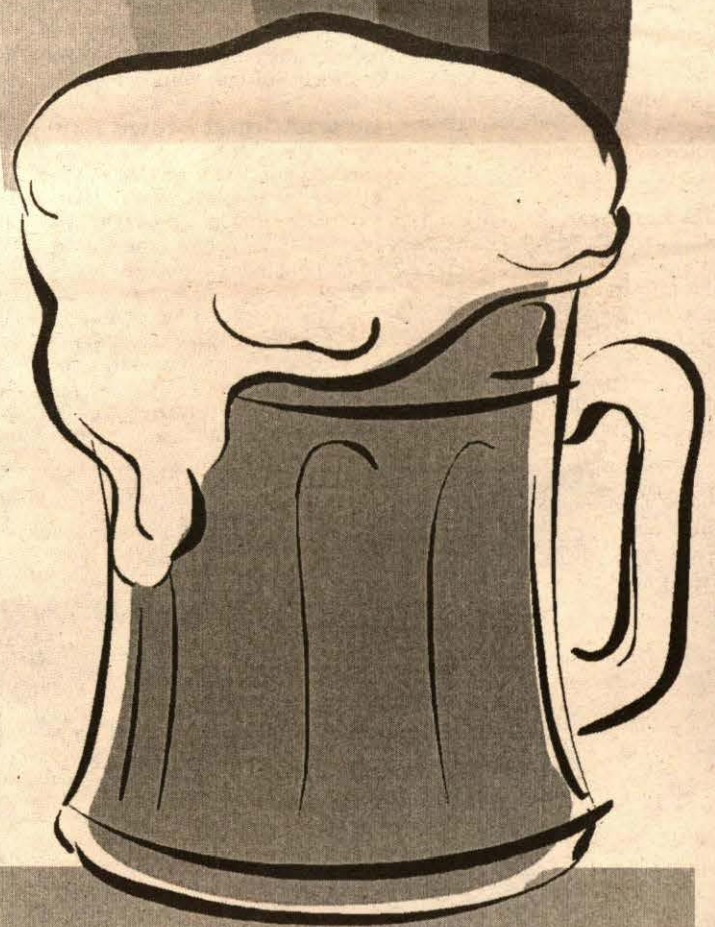
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